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Journal of a Voyage from New Bedford to the Arctic Ocean, and Around the World in the Whaleship Montreal

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continued from another Jounal

1852 Bound to the Bay of Islands.

Tuesday Jany. 6th Begins with strong breezes from the Northward, heading N.E. by E. this afternoon sent up the mizen topsail and set it, at 7 P.M. the ship comes up to N.E. middle part strong breezes from N.N.W. ship heading N.E. by E. At 5..30 A. M. the cheering cry was heard from mast head, "there she blows," "blows" "blows," "blows" accompanied with the startling cry of "sperm whales," "sperm whales" the first time we had heard that joyful news in nearly a year. In an instant all was life, bustle, and activity, the watch below aroused from their slumbers by the cry, sprang from their births and rushed upon deck all eager for the fray. It was indeed a beautiful sight ahead, on both bows, there they lay ejecting from their spout holes, mingled air and water as they sluggishly moved along. The sea however was very unfavorable, an immense swell came rolling and tumbling in from the S. W. nevertheless four boats were lowered and occasionally as the boats mounted the crest of some huge billow, we could see the eager and hardy crews bending to their oars with might and main to get upon them, but alas! they were not for us. The whales had become alarmed; either by the too near approach of the ship, or some noise made by the boats, starting off to windward with the speed of locomotives, and after an ineffectual pull of two hours, they abandoned the chase, came alongside, and were hoisted up, when we ~~em~~braced forward and stood on in pursuit with the ship. This was a severe disappointment to the crew, as they made great calculations on a cut of oil, and being now within a few days sail of port, it would have been prized higher than at any other time of the voyage as had they been succeſsful, they could have put on a good face in port on liberty day and called heavily for spending money, hence their anxiety and exertion. Thus far we have made a miserable season's work; and the season now too far gone to remedy it, not having taken a single drop of sperm oil, When we were at the Sandwich Islands last fall, we were hailed as the most succeſsful ship of the entire fleet having taken in one season 3000 barrels of oil a part of which we then shipped home, together with all our sperm oil and some 30,000 pounds of bone, We can not account for this sudden change, unleſs forsooth it be by sailors analogy Of all claſses of men, the mariner is most inclined to superstition, altho' the most cool and intrepid in time of danger and peril entertaining the most mortal aversion to sailing on Friday, this to him is a sure forerunner of all the evils and calamities in the whole catalogue of misfortune, as this day is usually set apart on shore for the execution of criminals, so with him if he sails on that day, he religiously considers his voyage as hung up for that cruise. Accidentally we left the Sandwich Islands this cruise on Friday, and many have been the forebodings among the crew, We are not prone to superstition but candor compels us to say, that our succeſs this season has an awful squint toward Friday, however in a few days we shall be in port, when we will take a fresh departure for the Arctic, and at the expiration of the season we trust we shall be enabled to leave with a full ship and flying colors, Friday to the contrary notwithstanding, remainder of the day

strong breeze from N. W. heading W. S. W
Lat. by Obs. 38„ 22 S.
Long. „ Chron 173„ 23 E

Wednesday Jany 7th Begins with fresh breeze from N. W. heading W. S. W. the weather moderates a little, the masthead well manned, keeping a sharp lookout in hopes of again being able to see the shoal of whales we lowered for this morning; at 8 P. M. furled mainsail and maintopgallant sail then wore ship heading N. N. E and N. E by N. standing in leisurely toward the land„ middle part wind constantly moderating and the sea running down, this morning started the works and tried out the two blackfish taken day before yesterday, remainder of the day nearly calm and beautiful weather
Lat. by Obs. 37„ 15 S
Long. „ Chron 173„ 26 E

Thursday Jany 8th Begins with beautiful weather, and a clear cloudless sky with light airs from N. W. heading N. E by N the land according to our reckoning being 35 miles off directly ahead, being a portion of the north island of New Zealand, it has however not been seen as yet from mast head altho the loom of it can be distinctly seen from off decks, at 7 P. M. wore ship heading W. when the watch went below, in half an hour the look outs came down from mast head, and it being a beautiful twilight, the flute was taken on deck and Fishers Hornpipe, struck up, scarcely had half a dozen notes issued forth, when the involuntary, spasmodic twitchings of the muscles of the legs and feet, of several of the watch, announced

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the determination of their owners to keep time to the music; the *watch below turned out in their drawers, and personating the ladies a "fore and after" was immediately commenced; Whether the costume of the ladies was literally appropriate it is not our province to say, it however gave general satisfaction, nor was the step of the most graceful kind, not being ~~tram~~ trammelled down by any particular rule or numbers, being neither more nor less, than a regular, old fashioned, "break down", "drag out" "double shuffle" which made up in energy what it lacked in grace, sounding very much like a locomotive at full speed over a rickety track where the rails were all loose* One great advantage the "fore and after" possesses over the constrained etiquette of the modern ball room, is this, that as each performer has his favorite step in which he excels, so as many steps can be seen at once in the same dance and to the same tune as there are colors to the rainbow, all in rapid motion like the fly wheel of an engine. This then is the sailors favorite dance at sea, in which many an idle hour is whiled away of a calm, clear moonlight evening at sea; and tends to promote harmony and health on ship board. Among the crew was a little native lad 8 or 10 years of age whom we had taken from the island of Nukunono or Duke of Clarence's island about two months since on our passage up to New Zealand and who just began to understand and talk a few words of English. When we made the above named island, three canoes loaded with natives came on board of us, their principal clothing consisting of a narrow strip of matting about their loins made from the husk of cocoanut, seperated in small fibres, and plaited together. They appeared

*We recollect a number of years ago, whilst cruising in the Indian Ocean and symptoms of scurvy making its appearance among the crew, that on bright pleasant evening the Captain called all hands in the waist, and stating that it was necessary to take active exercise, proposed a fore and afters, at the same time, setting a case bottle of gin in the cabin companion every

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half starved and were continually crying out in a plaintive, moaning tone, "kai kai", "kai kai", signifying to eat, bucket after bucket of bread was given them which they devoured with astonishing avidity, their next cry was for water which they drank from a bucket in the same manner a horse would, thrusting in their heads and drinking as long as they could swallow. It appears their island does not furnish any water, their principal drink being "toddy", which is obtained by tapping the cocoa nut tree, nor have they any poultry, pigs, or fruit of any kind excepting the cocoanut tree, they are the most miserable of all the natives in the Pacific. They are very savage on shore and when dancing one of their heathenish dances a kind of "houla houla" should one of their children accidentally be in their way, they will sieze him in a fit of phrenzy, and sometimes dashing out his brains, proceed with their dance; the little fellow we now have, when he came on board had a gash some 6 or 7 inches in length across the top of his head which took us some three weeks to heal, and which no doubt he obtained in that manner. It is was not without considerable trouble that we were enabled to clear the decks from them, the next afternoon we having laid becalmed, 7 canoes loaded with natives came to us a distance of 15 or 20 miles, we had treated them so well, they brought another famishing brood, the same ceremony was again gone over as on the preceding day— buckets of bread were thrown on deck, into which they would throw themselves their whole length, filling their tappas, hands and mouths with the bread gathering up the smallest fragments. Among them was this boy who for the first time in his life surrounded by plenty

= previously remarking that those who did not dance, should not drink, and it was a remarkable fact, that there was not an individual in that ship's company, but would dance watched with a keen eye every movement, it soon became evident, that he had made his mind up and was determined, to abandon home, parents kindred and friends, and throw himself on the mercy of strangers, whom he had never seen before, whose country, manners, customs and language he had never even heard mentioned, He would watch every movement to escape from the side of his father, a half naked savage, and mingling with the crew soon aroused their sympathies in his behalf Once was he called up from the cabin, and again from the forecastle by his father and when we were clearing the ship of the natives, his parent siezed him in his arms and clambering over the ships side was proceeding down to his canoe when the little fellow as a last hope, siezed hold of the fore rigging and clung to it with the tenacity of a drowning man, the crew immediately rescued him from his parent, and placed him in the forecastle for security, when the canoes shoved off for shore, and we saw them no more He was then taken into the cabin and dressed in a full suit of seamens clothing, his eyes sparkling with joy, and the name of Isaac Newton given him. Little Isaac the picture of health and happiness was dancing around deck apparently on his own hook, skipping up first to one, then to another to persuade them to pair out with him for a dance, when finally one stepped out and commenced dancing, Isaac dancing around him full of glee and mirth, just as he was in the act of giving one of his "double demi semi quaver" touched him adroitly with his foot under the knee of the leg he was standing on, when quicker than thought, he was in a sitting posture on deck amidst the wild, ringing laughter of his shipmates In a short time the music ceased, the ladies in their inexpressibly alias Bloomer costume vanished down the forecastle and all was again silent. Middle part light breezes from N.N.W. heading W by S. after strong breezes from N.W. with rain and fog. ship heading W.S.W.

Lat. by Obs. 36"36 S.
Long. " Chron 172"16 E.

Friday Jany 9th Begins with rain and fog, and strong winds from N.N.W heading W. wore ship heading N.N.E. at 7 P.M the ship heads N. the wind hauling gradually to the Westward, middle part moderate breezes from the westward, ship heading N.N.W. after part wind the same, raised the land 4 points on our lee bow. and continued running along it

Lat. by Obs. 35"12 S.
Long. " Chron 172"55 E.

Saturday- Jany. 10th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from the Westward heading N.N.W. running along the land, now plain in sight, endeavoring to weather the North Cape, that we may be enabled to square away for port about 100 miles distant. at 7 P.M suddenly found ourselves in close proximity to breakers; it being a dangerous reef extending three miles out from North Cape, and not laid down on the chart, all hands being on deck at the time, wore ship immediately heading off shore. at 11 P.M passed a ship standing in the opposite direction. at 2 P.M wore ship heading in toward the land two ships in sight

Lat. by Obs. 34"23 S.
Long. " Chron 173" 3 E.

1852 Coasting along New Zealand

Sunday Jany 11th Begins with moderate breezes from S.W. steering N.E. running along the land toward North Cape, at 1 P.M. spoke the Ship Vesper of New London 7 months out 40 bbls sperm. 60 of whale bound in Monganui middle part fresh breezes from S.W. at 11 P.M hauled aback the main yard and lay to until daylight off the headlands of the harbor, when we braced forward and stood in. At 8 A.M came to anchor and found 9 ships there already, being the most dismal, gloomy, desolate looking hole we have ever yet seen, a few huts an old queer house, and the gable end of something with a window in it peeping through the trees, which looked as tho it might have intended to form a portion of what they would dignify with the appellation of dwelling house, but as we are not positive of any thing below the aforesaid window, we shall reserve our opinion until we go on shore, when we shall take a thorough examination and report accordingly

Monday Jany 12th Begins with squally weather, 5 more ships came in to day, also found as the tide receded that the ship grounded

Tuesday Jany 13th Begins with a calm, at 8 A.M. the sea breeze sets in, after breakfast commenced mooring ship she being afloat during the day three arrivals and as many departures, there are now 17 American whale ships laying here at anchor, the English sloop of war Coliva with a tender arrived to day and came to anchor outside in the outer bay, she has on board the Lieut. Governor of New Zealand, remainder of the day light winds from off the land

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Wednesday Jany 14th Begins with light breezes from off the land. This morning his Excellency the Govr. together with all the officers of the men of war visited our ship for the purpose of examining and inspecting an American whale ship. Our accommodations being on a larger and more splendid scale than any ship in the harbor, the selection was a very fortunate one and our visitors left us highly delighted with their visit, having no doubt formed the most exalted opinion of the style, comfort and convenience, with which the American whalemen are fitted out. The Captains of the Braganza Dowell and Sherman Coral assisted us in escorting our visitors through the ship and explaining the various uses of the whaling fixtures on board, and as the company was very numerous proved of great service. The Governor as well as the English officers were thunderstruck, at the sight of so large a fleet of American shipping laying so snug and quiet at their anchors in this remote corner of her majesty's dominions, and the former gentleman expressed his determination to commence a settlement here forthwith, thus it is; a few whale ships penetrate into some secluded bay and commence traffic with the natives for vegetables, when lo; in a twinkling as if by magic a settlement springs up, the wilderness gives way, and the busy hum of a thriving little commercial port usurps its place and all owing to the energy and perseverance of the American whaling fleet. In the afternoon 5 more American ships came to anchor in the outer bay.

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Thursday Jany. 15th Begins with a calm at an early hour, several ships which were outside were towed in making 22 ships now here, the English man of war and her tender also sailed this afternoon, no doubt deeply impressed with the necessity of an immediate settlement here particularly the Governor. To day commenced breaking out our oil and coopering, finding it in first rate condition, one cask only having leaked out. We intended to have commenced yesterday but owing to our visitors no work was done

Friday Jany 16th Finds us at our anchorage coopering oil, a small government schooner arrived to day; no other arrivals or departures this day; 24 Americans laying here, in fact there is no ship here of any other nation.

Saturday Jany 17th The crew still employed in coopering oil which comes up in first rate condition, the Govt. schooner sailed to day, destination unknown, no arrivals or departures this day, the weather quite warm

Sunday Jany 18th Begins with pleasant weather, after sunrise breezes up quite fresh, during the day the Henry Kneeland came into us several times slightly damaging the rail on the house, had to unship the spanker boom and take it in

Monday Jany 19th Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward with rain, during the forenoon good weather, went to coopering

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no arrivals or departures this day

Tuesday Jany 20th Begins with cloudy weather the Huntress came in at an early hour, during the day the rain pours down in torrents, finished coopering our oil. This forenoon the natives began to settle along the beach, no less than three huts having been erected to day, also hoisted in a raft of water

Wednesday Jany 21st Begins with a heavy rain storm, about 10 A.M. the weather clears up beautifully, brought another raft of water along side and stowed it down. This afternoon a large canoe with about 40 natives including a chief paddled across the harbor, and landed near the settlement of natives. After landing they marshalled their forces and all armed with spears and tomahawks, advanced stealthily along as if to attack; the other party were also in readiness on bended knee, with their spears couched; when suddenly the advancing party sprang up and commenced the war dance then retreating a short distance, the party who had been silently awaiting their approach, now rushed forward in their turn and danced the war dance; in a short time they all mingled together remaining the guests of the settlers until sundown when they reembarked in their canoe and recrossed the bay, where they encamped intending to stay as long as the shipping remained principally to obtain tobacco from the seamen. During the evening the Chandler Price was towed down to the outer harbor in readiness for sea

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Thursday Jany 22nd. Begins with cloudy overcast weather, too threatening to commence painting ship, consequently went to setting up casks, and the starboard watch went on shore on liberty, the Braganza and Montezuma were towed out to the outer harbor

Friday Jany 23rd. Begins with fresh breezes from the Westward, before breakfast brought off 3 boat loads of wood, during the day took off two more loads, also one raft of water and stowed it down, the cooper engaged in setting up casks, the larboard watch on shore on liberty. During the day a fracas took place on shore between some of the Americans and the Portuguese belonging to the shipping and an American was stabbed by a colored Portuguese from the Cape De Verd islands the 4th mate of the Orizimbo, the man stabbed belonged to the Henry Kneeland and was not fighting with the man who stabbed him, a general fight was the consequence and the Portuguese were driven from the beach. The 4th mate was badly bruised and barely escaped with his life, we saw him swimming amid a shower of stones to his boat, and it is almost a miracle that he escaped with his life.

Saturday Jany 24th. Begins with pleasant weather, at an early hour two boats were despatched for wood, at 7 A.M they arrived also commenced painting ship on the larboard side, the starboard watch went on shore on liberty. remainder of the day squally weather with heavy rain showers. was compelled to abandon painting ship, the cooper busily employed in setting up casks

Sunday Jany 25th Begins with heavy squalls of wind and rain from the Southward, this morning the starboard watch went on shore on liberty, during the day blows very heavy. 6 ships outside endeavoring to beat in

Monday Jany 26th Begins with fresh breezes from the Southward, at an early hour two boats were sent for wood and another for water at 9 A. M. all were alongside and taken care of and the starboard watch went on shore on liberty, the ships outside mentioned yesterday proved to be the fleet from Wangaroa bay. The weather proving good painted larboard side of ship. remainder of the day calm. The cooper of the Coral came on board to day and set up casks for us, our cooper being sick and off duty, in the evening the Coral sailed

Tuesday Jany 27th Blows very heavy all day, stowed down our water and wood the larboard watch on shore on liberty

Wednesday Jany 28th Begins with strong winds and disagreeable weather, at an early hour a raft of water was hoisted in, and its contents stowed down, the starboard watch then went on shore on liberty, the Uncas also sailed to day, without her recruits being unable to obtain them, in fact there are by far too many ships here at present, there being but one person here who carries on any kind of business, and it was more than he was capable of attending to, another season and in all probability there will be strong opposition

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and the wants of the shipping will be more promptly attended to

Thursday Jany 29th Begins with beautiful weather, at an early hour two boats were sent for wood and the larboard watch went on shore on liberty, our potatos have not yet come, the natives will not bring them in; being desirous of trafficking with the shipping themselves a portion of one tribe are now camped near the watering place, having travelled a distance of 30 miles to barter honey and fruit for tobacco, and drive quite a thriving trade, the Francis Henrietta was towed to sea this morning, remainder of the day calm and clear

Friday Jany 30th Begins with pleasant weather finished painting the ship. the starboard watch went on shore on liberty, during the day received one and an half tons of potatos remainder of the day calm and pleasant

Saturday Jany 31st Begins with thick foggy weather and a drizzling rain during the forenoon received the balance of our potatos being 6 tons 11 cwt. 56 lbs. the ship was also put in readiness for sea

Sunday Feby 1st Begins with good weather, the larboard watch went on shore on liberty, no arrivals or departures this day

Monday Feby 2nd Begins with a rain storm, at daylight commenced heaving up our anchors, but was compelled to abandon all hopes of going to sea to day, one ship was towed out, but was compelled to come to ancher again, in the afternoon heavy squalls

Tuesday Feby 3rd Begins with calm weather at an early hour began to heave up our ancher the boats from the shipping came to our aid and towed us to the outer harbor when we came to ancher again, but a breeze soon springing up in an hours time we had all three top gallant sails set with a good breeze from W. N. W steering N. by E, 4 sail left in company with us

Lat. by Obs. 34" 42 S
Long. " Chron. 174" 23 E

Wednesday Feby 4th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from W. N. W. heading N. by E took in fore and mizen top gallant sails. at 7 P.M furled mainsail and main top gallant sail middle and after parts wind light

Lat. by Obs. 32" 52 S
Long. " Chron. 174" 19 E

Thursday Feby 5th Begins with light airs from W. S. W. heading N. W. middle and after parts heavy squalls from S. W. steering E

Lat. by Obs. 31" 44 S
Long " Chron 177" – E

Friday Feby 6th Begins with moderate weather from S. W. shook the reefs out of the topsails and set top gallant sails, steering E. by S. at sunset took in sail heading S. after part fresh breezes steering E. by S.

Lat. by Obs. 32" 53 S
Long. " Chron 176" 36 E

Saturday Feby 7th Begins with squally weather from the Southward steering E. by S.

at sunset took in sail, in an hour afterwards had a very heavy squall with shift of wind to N.N.W. heading N.E. middle part squally and variable winds, after part made sail, wind S.W. heading E

Lat. by Ob. 32 " 43 S
Long. " Chron. 177 " 56 E

Sunday Feby 8th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from the Westward steering E. at sunset took in sail, also raised a large shoal of porpoises, middle part light winds from the Westward steering N.E. by E. after part wind and course the same

Lat. by Ob. 32 " 14 S
Long. " Chron. 179 " 00 3/4 E

Monday Feby 9th Begins with beautiful weather and light winds from the Southward steering N.E. by E. at 5 P.M. the man at mast head saw a large white water on the lee beam immediately ran for it, and continued so for two hours without seeing any thing, middle and after parts fine breeze from the Southward steering E.N.E

Lat. by Ob. 32 " 06 S
Long. " Chron 179 " 46 W

Tuesday Feby 10th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Southward steering N.N.E. during the afternoon saw a number of jumpers breaching, at sunset double reefed the topsails and luffed to the wind starboard tacks on board heading S.W, middle part wind hauls to E. at day light made sail steering N.N.E, after part wind and course the same

Lat. by Ob 31 " 14 S
Long. " Chron 179 " 4 W

Wednesday Feby 11th Begins with fresh breeze from the Eastward steering N. N. E. at 6 P. M raised land three points on our starboard bow supposed to be Macauley's island, also raised three ships near together supposed to be gamming at sunset took in sail at 11 P. M. wore ship heading South at daylight made sail and wore ship again heading N. N. E. toward the land also saw 4 ships on our weather beam

Lat. by Obs 30 " 24 S.
Long " Chron 177 " 50 W

Thursday Feby 12th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eastward running toward Goat Island, three of the ships came down toward us and proved to be the Uncas of New Bedford, the Com. Morris of Falmouth and the Benjamin Rush of Warren, We also find that our chronometer is gaining but 2/10 of a second daily that her rate is 2' 25" fast of Greenwich time and that our longitude yesterday should have been 178° " 35 instead of 177° " 50', At sunset took in sail wore ship heading, middle part wind the same at daylight made sail, 6 sail in sight remainder of the day good breeze from E. S. E heading S. by W.

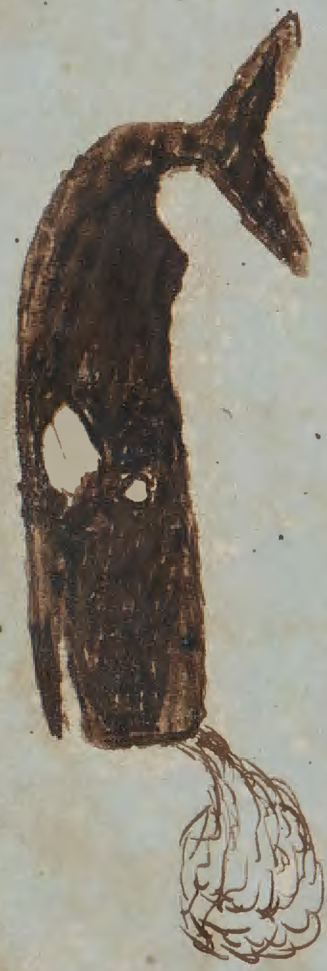
Lat. by Obs. 30 " 40 S
Long. " Chron 178 " 35 W

Friday Feby 13th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from E. S. E heading S. by W at 6 P. M. French rock in sight two points on our lee bow 25 miles distant, at sunset took in sail, middle part almost calm at day light, made sail, after part heading N.

Lat. by Obs 31 " 28 S
Long. " Chron 178 " 29 W.

1852 Cruising off the French Rocks.

Saturday Feby 14th. Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eastward heading to the Northward. At 4 P. M. just as the watch was called, the joyful cry was heard from aloft "there she blows" sperm whales. In an instant all was commotion the watch came tumbling up from the forecastle all eagerness and anxiety, a row of heads was instantly peering over the ships rail straining their eye balls to catch a glimpse of the welcome strangers, waiting for the word lower away. It appeared that an eagle eyed Kanaka from Tahiti first discovered them from the mizen mast head 5 miles off and shouted the welcome intelligence, gradually they came down toward the ship whale after whale spouting in the distance, a row of noble fellows "60 barrellers". When they were sufficiently near the order was given "lower away" quicker than thought 4 boats with their sturdy crews were in the water, springing to their oars with might and main, to give battle to these monsters of the mighty deep, All was now anxiety on board the ship, and the deep interest of the ship keepers ~~of~~ as they worked the ship up toward the boats manifested itself in occasional ejaculations in a smothered tone such as "spring boys" "spring" "now or never" "three strokes more and he is yours, as if their shipmates who were a mile distant could hear them In a few minutes it became evident that the 2nd mate was going on, the boatsteerer stood up and in an instant, the boiling suds around the bow of the boat, as he whirled his ponderous flukes through the water as he struck right



and left, announced that the iron had taken effect, writhing and lashing the water into a foam for some distance around him In a short time the mate watched his opportunity and fastened also, making two boats now fast to him and rendering success now doubly sure. The whale did not run but kept his ground manfully, rolling and striking about in every direction to the imminent peril of both boats and crews, Presently a scarlet ~~tinted~~ column was ejected from his spout holes, it was his life blood, the fatal lance had done its work faithfully and surely and as it oozed forth his exertions became fainter and fainter, then going into the throes of death he rolled upon his side and life was extinct. At ½ past 6 P.M. we had him securely alongside the topsails were double reefed the watch set, and the crew retired to rest, to waken with the dawn of day and cut him in as the weather in these parts is very treacherous Had it been earlier in the day when the whales were raised in all probability we would have taken one or two more, as it is however it will do very well, as the whale if we save him will be worth $2500, At the first appearance of day light, all hands were called and cutting in commenced forthwith At 8 A.M. we were startled with a pretty smart shock of an earthquake. We experienced a very severe earthquake in Jany 1849 at Guam in the Ladrone islands, which would have levelled to the dust any modern built city on the habitable globe, the earth rocking and reeling to that degree that it was impossible almost to stand erect either on land or shipboard during our stay we experienced some 80 or 100 minor shocks, so that we became quite a judge in such matters, and the instant the tremulous motion of the ship commenced we were fully aware what kind of customer we had, the same quick lateral vibrating attended with the same dull, heavy, confined muttering beneath our feet, only in a far less degree. There is a volcano now in operation at Sunday island about 150 miles to the Northward of us, and we have no doubt the shock felt this morning was in some way connected with that volcano It lasted about 30 seconds and passed away, At 8.30 finished cutting in our whale made sail and stood on to the Southward

Lat. by Acct. 31"40 S
Long. " D:o 178"45 W

Sunday Feby 15th. Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eastward heading to the Southward, cleared away the head and started the works. This afternoon spoke the Smyrna of New Bedford 26 months out 500 barrels of sperm middle part fresh breezes from the Eastward heading to the Southward after part wore ship heading to the Northward, one ship in sight the Smyrna the crew employed in boiling

Lat. by Obs. 32"09 S
Long. " Chron. 178"47 W

~~Sunday~~ **Monday** Feby 16th. Begins with fresh breezes from the Eastward heading N. by E. still employed in boiling the Smyrna on our larboard quarter 4 miles distant at 7 P.M finished boiling and cooled down the works. also shortened sail. middle part, wind hauls to N. N. E wore ship heading E. by S. at daylight made sail, after part wind the same with occasional fog squalls

Lat. by Obs 32" 06 S
Long. " Chron. 178" 4 W

Tuesday Feby 17th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from N. N. E. heading E. by S. the watch employed in coopering our oil also stowed it down between decks, being a little rising of 50 barrels. middle part wind N. heading E. by N. after part fog squalls, wind from the same quarter and ship heading E. by N.

Lat. by Obs. 31 " 56 S
Long. " Chron. 176 " 14 W.

Wednesday Feby 18th Begins with good weather and fresh breezes from the Northward heading E. by N. During the afternoon the wind hauls gradually to N. N. W and the ship comes up to N. E. by N. the wind also freshening, middle part moderate breezes from the Northward, after part wind dies away to a calm then breezes up again from the same quarter

Distance to Rorotongo
1053 miles N. E. ½ E

Lat. by Obs. 30 " 17 S
Long. " Chron 174 " 5 W

Thursday Feby 19th Begins with foggy weather and strong breezes from S. E. heading N. E. by E. At 6 P. M heavy squalls from S. E. took in top gallant sails flying jib, jib mainsail and double reefed the top sails middle and after parts the same

Distance to Rorotongo
927 miles N. E. ½ E.

Lat. by Obs. 29 " 5 S
Long. " Chron 172 " 8 W

1852 In the South Pacific bound to the Arctic

Friday Feby 20th Begins with nearly a gale of wind from S.E. heading N.E. by E. set jib and mizzensail, during the afternoon moderating a little shook one reef out of the topsails, also seen a sail astern running off about 4 points free middle and after parts light baffling airs from N.N.E. to E.

Distance to Roratongo 868 miles N.E.¼E. 2°..50'E. | Lat. by Obs. 28..36 S.
Long. .. Chron. 170..55 W.

Saturday Feby 21st Begins with light airs from E.N.E. heading S.E. middle and after parts light airs and calms from various parts of the compass course E.N.E. the crew employed in setting up shrouds the cooper still sick

Distance to Rorentongo 849 miles N.E. 1°E. | Lat. by Obs 28..37 S
Long .. Chron 169..39 W

Sunday Feby 22nd Begins with a light breeze from N.N.W. steering E.N.E. during the afternoon wind hauls to the Westward set studding sails alow and aloft, middle and after parts light winds from N.N.W. to N. steering E.N.E. at sunrise raised two sail one on each bow as far as could be seen, before 12 O clock the hulls of both ships could be seen from off deck we had gained on them so rapidly altho' the wind was light

Distance to Rorotongo 728 miles N.E.¼N. | Lat. by Obs 28..17 S
Long. .. Chron 168..18 W

Monday Feby 23rd Begins with light airs from N.N.W steering E.N.E the ships we raised this morning proved to be the Jefferson and Hannibal of New London nothing since leaving port. the latter vessel has not been better before this voyage. middle and after parts light airs and calms

Lat. by Obs. 28 . 13 S
Long. " Chron. 167 . 41 W

Tuesday Feby. 24th Begins with a calm the Hannibal and Jefferson on our quarter about 1/2 a mile distant, middle and after part weather varied only by copious rain showers

Lat. by Acct 27 . 29 S
Long. " Do 167 . " W

Wednesday Feby 25th Begins with calms and heavy rain showers the two ships still on our weather quarter, all we want now is a breeze and we will soon part company but as we are in the horse latitudes it is impossible to say when we are going to have one middle and after parts calm and light airs from N. to E.

Lat. by Obs 27 . 45 S
Long. " Chron 165 . 41 W

Thursday Feby 26th Begins with light breezes from the Northward heading E. by N. the 2 ships ahead of us one 5 the other 8 or 10 miles breezes up during the afternoon at 6 P. M passed the Jefferson to windward of her and kept on after the Hannibal middle part strong breezes from N. to N. N. E heading principally E 1/2 N. at daylight saw the Jefferson some 15 miles astern, the Hannibal 1 1/2 points on our weather bow still 8 or 10 miles distant, trimmed sails also put the ship in a little better trim for sailing, and then started for the Hannibal in downright earnest, with a good breeze he soon became fully aware of our intention by his crowding on every sail that would draw, beside some that would not, and as we were gradually shortening the distance edging off little by little, like some coy damsel. when finally finding that it was coming too strong for him and he would be inevitably beaten he up with his wheel in a flurry and run her off three or four points a "dead bolt." His ship had not been this voyage beaten which may perhaps account it, or perhaps as she hailed from the land of steady habits, racing they might consider an immoral practise. especially when they are likely to get the worst of it and so ~~they~~ declined it on the score of morality Be it as it may — we beat them the other day in light winds, an ~~we~~ were in a fair way to day with strong breeze to give them a second edition revised and corrected, had they not "flunked" out so ingloriously At ½ past 9 A.M. the Jefferson was not in sight from mast head being astern remainder of the day breeze moderating

Distance to Roratonga 448 miles N ½ E.
Lat. by Obs. 28"05 S
Long. " Chron 162"34 W.

Friday Feby 27th Begins with moderate breeze from N. heading E.N.E. middle part almost calm heading E. at daylight saw a sail astern of us have no doubt of its being the Hannibal, and that we had paſsed her during the night. After part light airs from N.N.E. heading E by S.

Distance to Roratonga 427 miles N. 8°.16 E.
Lat. by Obs 28"03 S
Long. " Chron 161" — W.

Saturday Feby 28th Begins with light airs from the Northward heading E. by S. at 6 P. M. tacked ship heading W. N. W. in a few minuts she came up to N. W. by N. the Hannibal on our lee beam some 15 miles distant, the wind still very light, but with every prospect of hauling to the Eastward before morning, which we hope and trust may be the case, as time now begins to press us, by the 20th of April we should be in the Sea of Kamtschatka middle and after part calm

Lat. by Obs. 27„ 53 S.
Long „ Chron. 160„ 56 1/2 W

Sunday Feby 29th Begins with a calm at 6 P. M. a breeze springs up from the South with every prospect of having a good breeze before morning immediately squared the yards steering N. by E. also set foretopmast and main top gallant studding sails. in an hour was compelled to take them in again, middle and after parts almost a dead calm, also raised a sail this morning from aloft as far as the eye could reach

Lat. by Obs. 27„ 57 S
Long. „ Chron 160„ 56 1/4 W.

Monday March 1st Begins with a dead calm having made but 4 1/4 miles the last 24 hours, at 3 P. M. a light breeze springs up from S. E. steering N. set studding sails again. At 7 P. M. wind comes out N. E took in studding sails heading N. N. W. middle and after part wind light from N. E. heading N. N. W this morning saw the same sail we raised yesterday on our lee quarter a long distance off

Lat. by Obs 27 „ 03 S
Long „ Chron 161 „ 00 3/4 W.

1852 In the South Pacific bound to the Arctic

Tuesday March 2nd Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward heading N. during the afternoon the breeze freshens, middle and after part moderate breeze from E.N.E. ship heading N. and N. by W. the crew employed in overhauling our potatoes

271 miles to Rovatongo. | Lat. by Obs 25 " 31 S
Course N. by E | Long. " Chron 161 " 1¾ W

Wednesday March 3rd Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward, ship heading N. during the afternoon ship heads her course N. by E. set topmast and top-gallant studding sails, middle part fresh breezes from the Eastward steering N. by E. after part wind and course the same, the watch employed in picking over potatoes

Distance to Rovatongo | Lat. by Obs. 23 " 43 S
155 miles N. by E. | Long. " Chron 160 " 31 W

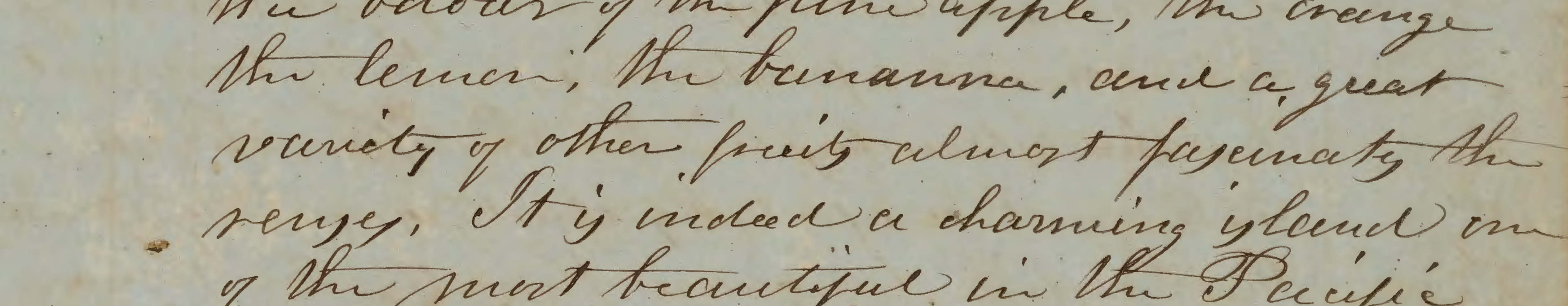
Thursday March 4th Begins with fine weather and strong breezes from the Eastward steering N. by E. at 6 P.M. took in main royal middle part strong breezes and very heavy squalls from the Eastward took in top-gallant sails mainsail flying jib and reefed mizentopsail at 8.30 A.M raised the land from mast head 4 points on our weather bow also a ship on our weather beam, immediately luffed up for the land with every prospect of falling to leeward, this was occasioned by our chronometer being 15 miles out of the way throwing us just so much to leeward, after part standing in toward the land

Lat. by Obs. 21 " 23 S
Long. " Chron 160 " 9 W

1852 Off the Island of Roratonga.

Friday March 5th. Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eastward running along to leeward of the island also raised a bark off the North end of the island standing in toward the land, At 3 P.M. tacked ship and stood in to the land, at 6 tacked again and stood off shore, intending to lay off and on during the night, and at early dawn go ashore and procuring what supplies we intended to procure leave the same day for the Arctic. The island presents a beautiful appearance clothed with verdure from the summit of her lofty mountain to the waters edge, the vallies teeming with all the delicious fruit of a tropical climate, the breeze from her luxuriant shores laden with the odours of the pine apple, the orange the lemon, the bananna, and a great variety of other fruits almost fascinates the senses. It is indeed a charming island one of the most beautiful in the Pacific and as fruitful as it is pleasing to the eye

Roratonga 20 miles distant bearing N.E.
Lat. 21..10 S. Long. 160..00 W



middle part & moderate breezes laying off and on the land at an early hour took breakfast and the Captain proceeded on shore to open trade, during the forenoon three boats loads of fruit came on board, consisting of oranges, bananas limes pine apples, melons &c. the pine apples were not as numerous as usual, the first crop having passed off and the second just coming on

1852 Off the Island of Roratongo

Friday March 5th (Altered Time)

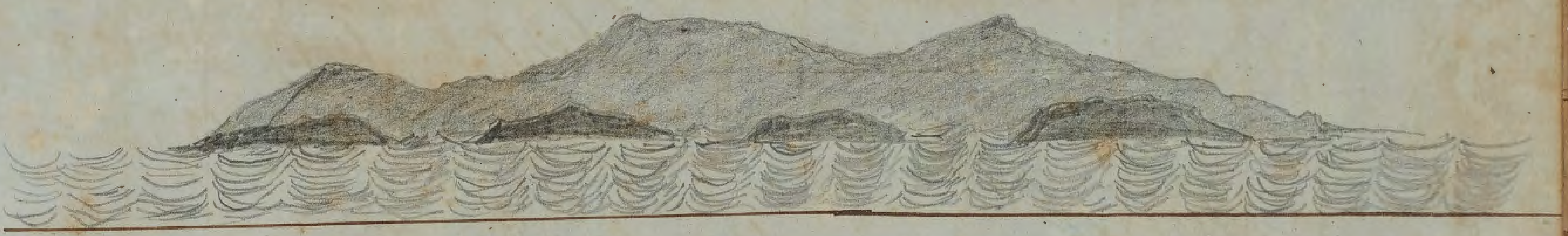
Begins with pleasant weather and finds us laying off and on the island during the afternoon two more boat loads came off also the Captain who brought with him two kanakas, one of whom jumped into the boat as she was coming out thro' the reef What could have possessed this native to leave the island, we are at a loss to conjecture, for if there is a paradise on earth, a perfect garden of Eden this is the spot, no island in the broad Pacific can compare with it for beauty or fertility or in the healthy, cleanly, contented appearance of the natives, their houses are generally built of stone, whitewashed, and partitioned off into several apartments, a thing unusual for the islands in the Pacific, they are well and comfortably clad, generally speaking the English language fluently, the women are very good looking, the grave yard or burial place unlike other kanaka burial grounds consists of vaults arched with stone, the island itself produces spontaneously more than sufficient for 5 times the number of its inhabitants and is one of the most delightful places the mind can conceive At 4 P.M. we braced forward steering N.W.W and bade adieu to this enchanting island The bark laying off and on with us belonged to the missionary society of London, middle part fine breeze steering full and by, after part wind the same steering N. At half after 11 A.M. raised the land 2 1/2 points on our lee bow kept her off for it

Lat. by Obs. 19.00 S
Long. " Chron 159.52 W

1852 Off the Island of Whytootacke

Saturday March 6th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eastward steering N.N.W directly for the island, At 4 P.M. the mate lowered away and started for the shore for the purpose of trading. In an hour afterward the Captain lowered and went in. This is another beautiful island equal in fertility and appearance to Roratongo, altho the natives are perhaps not quite as refined as at the former place, At sunset the boats came off laden with pine apples and muscovy ducks, also a shore boat loaded with the same, the ducks are the largest and finest we ever saw and in great abundance a large duck being given for one fish hook

View of Whytootacke bearing N.N.W
distant 15 miles



At 7 P.M. braced forward and stood on heading N. by W. the breeze gradually moderating, middle and after parts dies away to a calm

Lat. by Ob. 18"15 S
Long. " Chron 159"51 W

Sunday March 7th Begins with excessively hot weather and a dead calm during the afternoon a light breeze springs up from the Southward, set studding sails steering N. a sail in sight from aloft a long distance off, middle and after parts wind and course the same

Lat. by Ob. 17"15 S
Long. " Chron 159"44 W

Monday March 8th Begins with fine weather and light winds from the Southward steering N. with studding sails out, alow and aloft, the sail mentioned before three points on our weather quarter 15 miles off, steering the same course we are, at 7 P.M. the wind comes out from N.N.W. ship heading N.E. middle and after parts squally wind very light from N.N.W

Lat. by Obs. 16"25 S
Long. " Acct. 157.25 W

Tuesday March 9th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from N.N.W heading N.E. during the afternoon the breeze freshens at 6 the ship heads N. by E. middle part knocks her off to N.E. after part wind the same, the ship in sight astern 10 miles off

Lat. by Obs 15"28 S
Long. " Chron 157"28 W

Wednesday March 10th Begins with moderate breeze from N.N.W heading N.E the ship astern in sight from mast head middle part light airs from all parts of the compass wearing tef ship repeatedly, at day light a light breeze from N.E. heading N.N.W remainder of the day wind the same

Lat. by Obs. 14"34 S
Long. " Chron 158"34 W

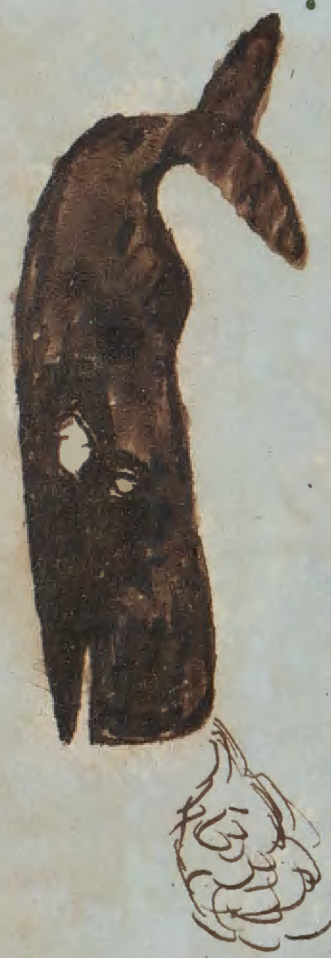
Thursday March 11th Begins with moderate breeze from N.E. heading N.N.W the ship still in sight from mast head in light winds during the night she comes up toward us but during the day when the breeze freshens we run directly away from her at 8 P.M the wind hauls to E.S.E. set main topgallant and foretopmast studding sails steering N. after part squally wind hauls to N.E. ship heads N.N.W.

Lat. by Obs. 11" 31 S.
Long. " Chron 157" 15 W.

Friday March 12th Begins with very squally weather from N.E. attended with rain, the ship which has been our daily companion for several days past, nowhere to be seen we have run her out of sight in the fresh breeze last night and to day, Our cooper also begins to gain a little, being able now to work a little about deck, middle part moderate breeze from N.E. heading N.N.W. after part wind the same

Lat. by Obs. 9" 53 S
Long. " Chron 158" 28 W

Saturday March 13th Begins with moderate breeze from N.E. heading N.N.W. at 1/2 past 1 P.M. the 4th mate at the masthead at the main saw white water several times 5 miles off apparently a whale breaching and immediately gave the alarm, in half an hour more, they proved to be sperm whales a great number of them going very fast to the Northward, the wind also died away from a 6 knot to a 2 knot breeze, and it soon became evident that if there was any chance at all to strike it must be by pulling as the ship would never get there without more wind, Four boats were accordingly lowered and dashed away with all their speed in the direction of the whales, and to add to our troubles and tribulations. the wind kept veering and hauling, baffling about in every direction, whenever we tacked ship knocking us off 3 or 4 points, and worst of all in about an hour and an half just as the boats were about going on the whales, quite a heavy squall of wind and rain came up drenching them to the skin and starting the whales afresh When the weather cleared up the boats were out of sight from mast head, here was a new source of trouble, as we did not know but that the boats might have fastened and the whales started in a contrary direction or that some of them were stove and the crews in great peril, all was anxiety and conjecture, and every eye was strained in every direction to catch a solitary glimpse of either of the boats, We looked and looked in vain until nearly sunset when two boats sails were seen as far as the eye could reach but nothing could be seen of the other two we tacked ship to let them know that they were discovered from the ship, as soon as it became dark a light was set at the end of the flying jib boom, another at the mizen peak and a third in the fore rigging, and the bearings of the two boats taken by compass that we might endeavor to beat up to them, An hour after dark a boats lantern was discovered about a mile off and at 9 O'clock they were all alongside with one sperm whale a cow of about 25 barrels, the mate having fastened and killed his whale before either of the boats could get up to him out of sight from the ship, After having secured the whale alongside, boats crew watches were set and the ship laid with her fore yard aback



at daylight commenced cutting him at 7 A. M finished. made sail braced forward and stood with a light breeze from E. N. E heading N. after part wind the same, our companion that same old ship again in sight, having gained upon us whilst we were whaling and laying by our whale

Lat. by Obs. 9 .. 21 S
Long. .. Chron 158 .. 31 W

Sunday March 14th Begins with moderate breeze from E. N. E. heading N. by W. started the works, at 7 P. M. ship heads N. by E. middle part wind the same at 7 A. M finished trying out and cooled down the works. the whale turning up 27 barrels of oil our companion out of sight astern, remainder of the day wind to the Eastward steering N.

Lat. by Obs. 7 .. 52 S
Long. .. Chron 158 .. 23 W

Monday March 15th Begins with fine weather and moderate breeze from the Eastward steering N. middle part wind hauls to N. N. E heading N. W after part wind remains the same

Lat. by Obs. 5 .. 57 S
Long. .. Chron. 159 .. 9¼ W.

Tuesday March 16th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from N. N. E. heading N. W. at 1 P. M. the wind hauls to E N. E. the ship heading her course N. by W. middle part wind hauls to N. E. heading N. W. by N. after part wind the same

Lat. by Obs. 3 .. 55 S.
Long. .. Chron. 160 .. 14¼ W.

Wednesday March 17th Begins with moderate breeze from N.E. heading N.N.W. at 3 P.M sets in squally and rainy, took in top gallant sails flying jib, mainsail. and spanker, with every appearance of stormy weather during the night heavy squalls from E.N.E. heading N.W.N after part kept her off W. the crew employed in mending sails. Since we left Whytootacke we have been killing off our ducks very fast to day we had some baked ~~ducks~~ for dinner and a pair was sent into the steerage occupied by 5 men and a boy, three to a watch, the first watch partook of their duck and went to their duty, the other watch came in and the trio having reconnoitred the duck attentively with glistening eye and watery mouth, concluded it would be an unpardonable sin to dissect it, when the proposition was made by one of them, that they should toss up for it, and the winner should eat the whole of it if he could each in the mean time hoping to be the winner. The proposition was immediately acceded to but the great difficulty was to find something to toss with, metallic currency being at a low ebb, as we are ~~being~~ lately out of port, when luckily one of the number bethought himself of one of Father Matthews temperance medals which he obtained at the island of Nukonono from one of the natives probably left there by an English bark bound from San Francisco to Sydney which was wrecked there. The chest was ransacked, the medal found and the play began, after tossing several times the owner of the medal won the duck, when he forthwith proceeded to demolish him, which having happily accomplished, he very coolly replaced his medal, and stretched himself at full length upon his chest, with a skin as taut as a drum head, no doubt thinking happy is the man who has a chest and a temperance medal therein

Lat. by Obs. 2 .. 37 S
Long. .. Chron 161 .. 55 W.

Thursday March 18th. Commences with good weather and a fine breeze from E. N. E. steering W. in hopes of falling in with sperm whales as we run the line down, having a considerable of westing to make, middle part wind the same steering N. N. W. after part wind and course the same, the crew employed in repairing sails, to day that man with the temperance medal won another duck, who now would go to sea without a temperance medal

Lat. by Obs. 1 .. 48 S
Long. .. Chron 164 .. 34 W.

Friday March 19th. Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from the Eastward steering N. W. by W. ½ W. middle part wind the same, after part wind and course the same the crew employed in repairing sails

Lat. by Obs. 0 .. 40 S
Long. .. Chron 166 .. 35 W

Saturday March 20th. Begins with pleasant weather and moderate breezes from the Eastward steering W. N. W this afternoon sent down the fore yard and found it completely decayed so as to be utterly worthless, fitted a new one and sent it up, middle part wind the same, after part wind the same spoke the Robert Pulsford 9 months out 15 bbls black fish

Lat. by Obs 00 .. 05 N
Long .. Chron 168 .. 49 W

1852 In the North Pacific bound to the Arctic

Sunday March 21st. Begins with fine weather and light breezes from the Eastward steering W.N.W running along in company with the Robt. Pulsford, this ship experienced the earthquake mentioned in our days work of the 14th Feby and had it very severe, she was in the vicinity of Curtis Rock and went on shore there and found the rock a volcanic fire, steam and smoke issuing from every crevice, the top quite soft and hot, in fact very dangerous and there is no doubt an explosion is about to take place in that vicinity. The Captain also stated that whilst he was in the immediate vicinity of the rock the ship was violently agitated by almost constant shocks and that when he landed, he sent one of his men up to the top after eggs, as soon as he arrived there the earth apparently gave way and he sunk knee deep, crying out that he was burnt. extricating himself as quickly as possible, he found his legs and feet burnt to a blister, on the summit of the rock, there was a pool of water and lava about 30 feet in diameter teeming and seething like a cauldron bubbling up over its entire surface. This volcanic eruption must be of very recent date as it is a favorite ground for sperm whales and is annually cruised upon by quite a large fleet of sperm whalers, and no mention has ever been made before of volcanic fires existing there so we are inclined to think it is but a few months old. At 1 A.M. hauled aback the fore topsail, as we were near a low sand spit laid down on the chart, at day light braced forward and stood on our course, after part wind the same

Lat. by Obs 00..19 N
Long. " Chron 170. 8 W

1852 In the North Pacific bound to the Arctic

Monday March 22nd Begins with pleasant weather and light breeze from the Eastward steering W. by N. running along in company with the Robert Pulsford, no appearance whatever of Davids island as laid down in the chart, and we are inclined to think it does not exist. At 9 P.M. hauled aback the main topsail aback and let her lay until morning as there were strong evidences of land near us. At daylight braced forward and stood on our companion not in sight from mast head, after part wind from the Eastward steering W.N.W.

Lat. by Obs 00"44 N
Long. " Chron 171"34 W

Tuesday March 23rd. Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward steering W.N.W. middle part wind and course the same after part hauled her up N.W. by W.½ W. We forgot to mention the other day that the Robert Pulsford a few days before she spoke us had touched at Reirsons island in Lat 10"11 S and 160"49 West Longitude. They found it entirely deserted, not the least sign of any inhabitants. the village appeared as tho' it had contained some 5 or 6,00 inhabitants from the number of dwellings, which they state were the best finished of any native dwellings in the Pacific, they were all fastened and their canoes drawn up and secured. around them were a great number of dead bodies, apparently some time dead, appearing as tho" they had been laid on the surface of the ground and covered over with leaves which had blown off and exposed the bodies. Some disease (probably the influenza or lung fever which is very fatal to the natives ~~to~~ of the ~~natives~~ Pacific) had appeared among them and swept off a great portion of them, when the remainder had left in their war canoes to some of the neighboring islands, until this fatal epidemic should have swept over their land and they could again return to their homes in safety

Lat. by Obs. 1 " 58 N
Long. " Chron 174 " 49 W

Wednesday March 24th Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward steering N.W. by W ½ W. the crew employed in breaking out between decks preparatory to going on to the N.W. during the afternoon saw several finbacks middle and after part wind and course the same the crew employed in breaking out between decks, stowing oil and setting up casks

Lat. by Obs 3 " 18 N
Long. " Chron 175 " 57 W

Thursday March 25th Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward steering N.W. by W. at 4 P.M. sets in squally and wind becoming lighter middle part squally from N.E. steering N.W by W, after part fresh breezes from N.E. course the same

Distance run 172 Lat. by Obs 5 " 12 N
Course N.W. ¼ W Long. " Chron 178 " 1 W

Friday March 26th Begins with strong breezes from N.E. steering N.W. by W during the afternoon carried away the fore top-mast studding sail it being an old one, sent up a new one, middle part heavy squalls and copious showers from N.E. after part strong breezes from N.E. steering N.W by W

Distance run 22 hours 187 Lat. by Obs 7 " 12 N
Course N.W ½ W Long. " Chron 179 " 36 E

1852 On the North Pacific bound to the Arctic

Saturday March 27th. Begins with strong N.E. trades steering N.W. by W. middle and after parts fresh trades from N.E. steering N.W. by W.

Distance run in 24 hours 215 | Lat. by Obs 9 .. 33 N
Course N.W. 4° W. | Long. .. Chron 176 .. 52 E.

Sunday March 28th. Begins with strong trades from N.E. steering N.W. by W. this afternoon killed a hog, and having weighed him, the crew were desirous of being weighed when their wish was gratified, and a more solid lump of human flesh for the same number of men, could not be found packed on the deck of any ship between this and the Arctic. Our steel yards weighed 200 pounds, and altho the weight was at the extreme end of the yard, when the 2nd mate set in the sling, it flew up with the rapidity of a steam engine's walking beam, it would not begin to weigh him, and we had to make a rough guess at ~~to~~ it, trying to come within some 40 or 50 pounds of his weight. middle part strong trades steering N.W ½ W. after part wind the same and steady steering N.W.

Distance run in 24h. 230 | Lat. by Obs 12.10 N
Course N.W. 2°. 6 W | Long. .. Chron 174.00 E.

Monday March 29th. Begins with very strong trades from N.E. steering N.W. took in topmast and topgallant studding sails, the wind hauling a little ahead, the ship going ten knots. middle and after parts, wind and course the same

Distance run in 24h. 214 | Lat. by Obs. 14.43 N
Course N.W ½ W. | Long. .. Chron 171 .. 40 E.

Tuesday March 30th. Begins with strong breezes from N.E. steering N.W. by N. at 1 P.M. raised a sail one point on our lee bow a long distance off running before the wind, presume she was bound to Guaney middle and after parts wind lighter steering N. W. by N. at 12 M nearly calm

Distance run last 24h 183
Course N. W ½ N

Lat. by Obs. 17.28 N
Long. " Chron 169.59 E

Wednesday March 31st Begins with light breeze from N. E. steering N. W. by N. middle part wind hauls to S. E. after part wind the same course N. N. W

Distance run last 24h 120
Course N. W by N. ½ N.

Lat. by Obs. 19.00 N.
Long. " Chron 169.00 E

Thursday April 1st Begins with light breeze from S. E. steering N. W. by N. at 6 P. M hauls to E. N. E. middle part wind light course the same, after part wind light and baffling

Distance run 84 miles
Course N. W by N. 3/4 N

Lat by Obs 20.15 N.
Long. " Chron 168.28 E

Friday April 2nd Begins with light breeze from the Eastward steering N. W. by N. during the afternoon wind hauls to S. E. with rain squalls, middle and after parts wind moderate from the same quarter course the same sent out lower studding sail

Distance run 89 miles
Course N. W. by N 3/4 N

Lat. by Obs 21.34 N
Long. " Chron 167.42 E

Saturday April 3rd Begins with moderate breeze from S. E. steering N. W. by N. during the afternoon the breeze freshens considerably with every prospect of strong breezes before morning in fact we have now seen the best of our good and may now look for rugged weather and strong galy of wind for the next 2000 mily middle part moderate breezy with cloudy weather and continual lightning steering N. N. W with a tremendous sea tumbling in from the Eastward causing her to roll unmercifully after part wind light from S. E. steering N. by W.

Distance run 89 mily | Lat. by Obs 23 " 22 N
Course N. by W | Long. " Acct. 167 " " E

Sunday April 4th. Begins with a calm and a rain storm, at 3 P. M a light breeze springs up from N. E. steering N. N. W. took in studding sails, at sunset the rain ceases, middle part moderate breezy from the Eastward and such awful rolling bulwarks to, it was almost impossible to stand up or lie down without being tossed about, after part wind light and baffling from various parts of the compass steering N. N. W.

Distance run 102 mily | Lat. by Obs 25 " 04 N
Course N ¼ W. | Long. " Chron 166 " 52 E.

Monday April 5th. Begins with light baffling airs steering N. N. W. at 3 P. M. a breeze springs up from E. N. E. at 6 P. M hauls to E. S. E. middle and after parts strong breezy from S. E. steering N. N. W. to day took up our potatoes and found they were all destroyed this is a severe loss to us and can not be repaired,

Distance run 148 mily | Lat. by Acct 27 " 27 N
Course N by W. ¼ W. | Long. " Chron 166 " 12 W

Tuesday April 6th. Begins with good weather and moderate breezy from S. E. steering N. N. W. middle part moderate breezy from S. E. course the same, after part wind light from the Southward steering N. N. W. with fog and rain

Distance run 70 mile   Lat. by Acct 29.36 N
Course N. by W ½ W   Long. " D° 166.00 E

Wednesday April 7th Begins with foggy rainy weather and light winds from the Southward steering N. N. W. middle and after part wind moderate and baffling repeatedly bracing ~~fore~~ around

Distance run 108 miles   Lat. by Obs 30.14 N.
N by W   Long. " Chron 165.37 E

Thursday April 8th Begins with calm weather, at 4 P. M light airs from N. W. at sunset a dead calm, at 9 P. M a light breeze springs up from S. S. W. steering N. N. W after part wind and course the same

Distance run 60 miles   Lat. by Obs. 31.10 N
N. by W   Long. " Chron. 165.22 E

Friday April 9th Begins with fine weather and light breezes from S. S. W. steering N. N. W. this afternoon shifted fore and main top gallant ~~sails~~, yards. the fore to the main it being sprung. middle and after part moderate breezes from S. S. W. steering N. N. W

Distance run 113 miles   Lat. by Obs. 33.00 N.
Course N. by W   Long. " Chron 165.. E

Saturday April 10th Begins with warm pleasant weather and moderate breezes from S. S. W. steering N. N. W. at 4 P. M blowing fresh from the same quarter, with rain and mist also seen large quantities of "brit" or right whale feed, the first we have seen this season. The weather thus far has been vastly different from what it was at this time last season in these latitudes. then we were all dressed in thick woollen clothing, with stove up and running thro snow squalls and gales of wind, now we are bare legged. in thin summer clothing, and we augur a mild season in the Arctic and plenty of whales which is just exactly what we want. Middle part strong breezes and squally with rain took in studding sails, top gallant sails and double reefed the mizen topsail. at midnight better weather with wind out from the Westward, after part wind hauls to S. W. set studding sails steering N. W. W

Distance run 176 | Lat. by Double Alt. 35.41 N
Course N. by W ¼ W | Long. " Chron 164.2 E

Sunday April 11th Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from S. W. steering N. N. W. middle part strong breezes and squally from S. W. course the same, after part had a heavy squall from the westward took in topgallant sails and double reefed the topsails

Distance run 186 miles | Lat. by Obs 38.40 N
Course N. by W. ¼ W. | Long. " Chron 163.2 E.

Monday Apl. 12th Begins with moderate breezes from S. W. steering N. N. W. shook the reefs out of the topsails and set topgallant sails. At 3 P. M. the wind hauls to the Westward with fine pleasant weather middle part wind dies away nearly to a calm then shifts in a squall to N. E. took in topgallant sails, mizen topsail, and double reefed fore and mizen topsails remainder of the day half a gale of wind from N. E. heading N. W by N.

Distance run 90 miles | Lat. by Obs. 39.56 N
Course N. W. ¾ N. | Long. " Chron 161.57 E.

Tuesday April 13th. Begins with moderate breezes from N.E. heading N.W. made sail the cold quite pinching to day, woolen clothing in universal demand, the difference in the temperature of the last 24 hours is truly surprising it is like leaping from the torrid zone to the frozen one. Our kanakas, the boy Isaac and two we obtained from Roratonga, to day began to feel the cold very sensibly, feeling of their finger ends and their noses with utter astonishment, not knowing what to make of it In a weeks time we shall be among snow storms and icebergs, when we expect some queer manoevres from them as they were all brought up in the tropics, the region of eternal summer middle and after parts wind moderate from N.E. to E. steering N.N.W.

Distance run 84 miles | Lat. by Obs 41„06 N
Course N.W. by N. | Long. „ Chron 160„58 E.

Wednesday April 14th. Begins with good weather and light winds from the Eastward steering N.N.W. with studding sails set during the afternoon wind hauls to E.N.E. and freshening hauled her up to N. by W ½ W this afternoon raised a ship from mast head on our weather beam a long distance off also saw several fin backs, middle and after parts fine weather and good breezes from S.E steering N. by W. ½ W.

Distance run 155 miles | Lat. by Obs 43„38 N.
Course N. by W. | Long. „ Chron 160„18 E.

Thursday. April 15th. Begins with fine and a good breeze from S.E. steering N. by W. middle and after parts strong breezes from the Southward with fog and rain steering N. by W with every prospect of thick weather

Distance run 163 miles — Lat. by Obs. 46 " 19 N.
Course N. ¼ E. — Long. " Acct. 160 " 30 E.

Friday April 16th Begins with foggy weather and strong breezes from the Southward steering N. by W. at 4 P. M wind hauls to W. S. W. and freshens, took in main royal, studding sails top gallant sails and double reefed fore and mizen topsails, the weather also cleared up beautifully, the wind strong and steady middle part double reefed main topsail, wind from the Westward, at daylight made sail in setting top gallant sails found they were frozen wind hauls to S. after part moderate breezes from S. E. steering N. by W. sent down all our studding sail booms

Distance run 165 miles — Lat. by Obs. 48.51 N.
Course N. by W. ½ W. — Long. " Chron 159.59 E

Saturday April 17th Begins with good weather wind moderate from E. S. E. steering N. ½ E. this afternoon sent down the main royal yard middle part wind hauls to N. E. and blows a gale of wind and a heavy snow storm sets in took in every thing but a close reefed main topsail and hove her to heading N. W. by N. the foresail and staysail we were unable to furl as they were frozen stiff, bundled them up as well as we could, at daylight blows very heavy the ships deck covered with snow, her yards and rigging a glare of ice and a tremendous sea running, the ship behaving beautifully, as easy as a cradle, after part, the gale the same also the sea, the snow ceases and wind keeps heading to the Northward wore ship heading E. N. E.

Barometer in 28.7

Lat. by Acct 50.00 N.
Long. " Do 159.20 E

Sunday April 18th Begins with a gale of wind from the Northward laying to under close reefed main topsail and main spencer heading E.N.E. during the afternoon moderates a little wind also hauls to the Westward heading N.N.W set foretopmast staysail and close mizen. the ship laying perfectly easy and quiet notwithstanding the heavy sea running, not shipping water enough to wet your feet. toward sunset not liking the appearance of the weather, took in the spencer and mizen. In a short time the whirling of large masses of heavy black looking clouds across the horizon, the lofty flights of the sea fowl with their wild scream as they soared high in the heavens, the dismal moaning of the wind, as it swept through the rigging in pitiful gusts all admonished us of the coming tempest, the gale had only partially abated to gather new strength, and return with tenfold fury. During the night it came howling from the westward, gust after gust causing the ship to tremble from her truck to her kelson, and bow down before its mighty power, slowly and majestically would she rise shipping the foaming masses from her sides and stand erect until another struck her. The snow also came drifting along in thick masses, and being driven with such inconceivable rapidity struck the faces of those whom duty called to be exposed to it like a volley of small shot, the sea also which had been heavy throughout the day now suddenly increased, and came rolling in mountains piled on mountains, their snow white crests tottering and quivering, ready to burst asunder and engulph us or deluge our decks with wide spread ruin and destruction and just as the danger appeared to be inevitable, our gallant ship as tho' conscious of her being the handi=craft of man, would lightly bound over it, skipping along as it were, with the ease and grace of the stormy petrel. The roaring of the sea, the howling of the tempest, the creaking of the cordage, the grinding of timbers, the rattling of the rigging all encased in ice as she rolled and tossed amid the foaming billows and this too at the dead of hour midnight when the heavens appeared as tho' spread over with a pall must be experienced to have any just conception of it, language falls short. This weather proved too much for our kanakas, they could not stand it and were sent below, astonished beyond measure at the appearance of the snow, and when they took up a handfull they instantly dropped it completely nonplussed. Remainder of the day wind and sea still the same some of the gusts from the Westward being truly terrific the ship laying to head to the Northward and behaving admirably, heart could not desire more

Lat. by Obs 50.04 N
Long " Chron 160.37 E.

Monday April 19th Begins with a very heavy gale of wind from the Westward the ship heading N. by W. and making excellent weather of it, altho a tremendous sea was running middle part the gale increases in severity, the sea a feather white the snow also comes in squalls the decks and bulwarks covered with ice and snow, the forward part of the ship one solid body of ice. rigged preventer braces to the main topsail yard, also fastened life lines around the ship and along the weather side not only as a precaution in case we should ship a heavy sea but to prevent falling the decks being a solid glare of ice. The confidence in our noble ship we find was not misplaced and increases hourly, so that we were cheerful altho' surrounded with danger in this great commotion of the elements a more trusty ship in a heavy gale, and trying times does not float the ocean. Daylight at length appeared but brought us no relief the heavens, one vast sheet of black, the sea lashed into foam by the fury of the wind the mighty billows roaring wildly past us their huge crests overbalanced by the velocity with which they were swept along, tumbling their surcharged contents into the deep abyss below like some vast cataract. Such was the scene presented to us during the remainder of the day

Lat. by Acct 50.06 N
Long. " Do. 161.30 E

Tuesday April 20th Begins with a very heavy gale of wind and a violent snow storm from the Westward, the ship laying to head to the Northward under close reefed main topsail and main spencer, making excellent weather of it and laying like a cradle. At 4 P.M. the wind begins to moderate and the sea to subside a little, with every appearance of the gale having broken, having been one continued, uninterrupted war of the elements for the last 64 hours. A man might follow the sea for years and never experience another such a gale. Middle part moderating slowly and sea running down, the barometer also appears inclined to rise, moving however very sluggishly. At 6 A.M. set double reefed fore and mizen top sails having lain under a close reefed main topsail the last 78 hours

Lat. by Acct 50.30 N
Long. " Do 161.59 E

1852: In the North Pacific bound to the Arctic

Wednesday. April 21st. Begins with strong winds from the Westward and a rugged sea steering N. raised a ship on our weather bow, steering N.E. at 4 P.M set reefed mainsail. During the last two days we have pumped up considerable oil, this afternoon broke out in the after hatch and found to our amazement that all the oil we had coopered at Mongonui some two months since was in a desperate condition the hoops being so slack that the casks would scarcely bear moving, being upwards of 1000 barrels, and if something was not done speedily we should lose the whole of it. Here was a pretty state of things, to cooper oil in high, stormy, tempestuous latitudes, at the commencement of the whaling season and on the very verge of whaling ground, Why the very thought of it is enough to make a man strike his father but there is no redemption, at it we must go for if we experience another such a gale we will pump out so much oil that we will have half the fleet dogging us about to skim our "slicks". Middle part weather still moderate after part the same raised a ship on our lee beam also saw two bowheads, making a straight course for the Ochotsk Sea, this morning opened the main hatches and commenced breaking out to ascertain how our oil was, it proved to be in good condition, and the leak was found to be in one of our tanks which had leaked out about 10 barrels, if ever a ships company drew a long breath it was then, when the leak was found remainder of the day good weather

"skim our slicks" 2

Lat. by Obs. 52" 35 N
Long. " Chron 162" 25 E

Thursday April 22nd. Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from the Westward steering N ½ W under foresail double reefed topsails and reefed mainsail, the watch engaged in clearing up the oil between decks and coopering the tanks. At supper time we were all in order, the gloom which had spread over the ships company at the sight of so much oil going over the ship's side had vanished, and cheerfulness reigned supreme, all ready and anxious to commence whaling, middle part wind light and baffling, after breakfast raised two right whales, lowered 3 boats first second and third mates, the third mate came near fastening darting both irons, but the whale was too deep to reach

Lat. by Obs. 53„16 N
Long. „ Chron 162„50 E

Friday April 23rd Begins with fine weather and light winds from N. E towards N. W. raised whales, lowered all four boats after two hours ineffectual gave it up and returned to the ship, also breezes up and hauls to the Eastward, steering N. by W At 7 P. M. saw the land bearing N. W ½ W about 70 miles distant according to our reckoning it was Mount Koninskoi, middle part weather looks very threatening, with every appearance of another gale, took in topgallant sails, jibs mainsail close reefed the topsails and set reefed foresail before it— daylight it came on from the Eastward, At 5 A. M furled fore and mizen topsails and hove her to under close reefed main topsail and reefed foresail with main spencer, a heavy snow-storm also sets in and a tremendous sea running directly on a lee shore.

Barometer 28.85

At 8 A.M. wore ship heading from S.E. to S.S.E. remainder of the day a heavy gale of wind with a thick snow storm

Lat. by Acct. 54"20 N.
Long. " D^o 163"20 E.

Saturday April 24th Begins with a heavy gale of wind from the Eastward with a thick snow storm the sea mountains high and breaking badly the ship laying to under close reefed maintopsail and reefed foresail also main spencer heading S.S.E. During the afternoon the snow ceases the wind also moderates and hauls to the Southward at 6 P.M. wore ship heading E. by S. middle part weather the same at 5 A.M. squally and snowy hand. at 7 wind hauls to S.S.W and weather clears up raised a sail on our weather beam which proved to be the Gladiator 40 barrels this season, the first time we have seen her since we left home, Set whole foresail and double reefed topsails steering N. by E. remainder of the day weather moderating

Barometer 28.90

Lat. by Obs. 55"07 N.
Long. " Chron 163"46 E.

Sunday April 25th Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from S.S.W. steering N. by E. sailing in company with the Gladiator, the sea too rough to visit each other as yet at 5 P.M saw Mount Kamtschatka bearing N. W about 50 miles distant, at 6 P.M had beat the Gladiator 4 miles fair play she having sailed the whole time with one reef more shook out of her mizen topsail at 7 P.M. raised another sail 4 points on our larboard bow, middle part wind light from the Southward under easy sail, a heavy sea running, at daylight saw the Gladiator on our lee beam and another ship which proved the Lagoda 4 points on our lee quarter, also raised another sail 4 points on our lee bow, remainder of the day weather fine and sea running down

Lat. by Obs. 55„30 N.
Long. „ Chron 164„53 E

Monday April 26th Begins with fine weather and light breezes from N. W. heading every way the ships in company raised two other sail during the afternoon, middle part wind hauls to E. N. E. heading N. the Lagoda and Gladiator both astern, remainder of the day wind S. E. steering N. N. E. during the forenoon constant flurries of snow

Lat. by Obs 56„51 N
Long. „ Chron 165„30 E

Tuesday April 27th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds S. E. steering N. N. E at 2 P. M. raised a sail two points on our weather bow which proved to be the South Boston had taken 170 sperm since leaving Mongonui at 3 P. M. an old fashioned snow storm sets in and bids fair to continue for some time to come, middle part wind hauls to the Northward ship heading E. N. E. the snow storm also continues, after part wind the same and snowing

Lat. by Obs. 57„13 N
Long. „ Chron. 167„39 E

Wednesday April 28th Begins with good weather and fresh breezes from N. heading E. N. E at 6 P. M. the wind hauls to N. W. the ship heading N. N. E. middle part fresh breezes from the Northward heading N. E. the weather severely cold, after part wind hauls to the Westward heading N.N.W. with snow squalls

Lat. by Obs. 58..08 N.
Long. " Chron 169..30 E.

Thursday April 29th Begins with moderate breezes from the Westward steering N.N.W. with snow squalls spoke the Coral nothing since leaving port, middle part wind from the Westward course the same, after part wind hauls to the Eastward and commences snowing, saw the land directly ahead, being the North Western part of the sea of Kamtzchatka but no signs of any whales

Lat. by Acct 59..30 N.
Long. " Do 169..15 E.

Friday April 30th Begins with a snowstorm from E.S.E. wore ship heading S. by E. in half an hour wind shifts to S.W. and breezes up during the afternoon repeated snow squalls, double reefed the topsails steering in toward the land N.W. by N. at 6 P.M. nearly calm middle part wind coming out from the Eastward wore ship heading to the Southward after part wore ship heading to the Northward. with snow squalls

Lat. by Obs. 59..43 N
Long. " Chron 166..49 E

Saturday May 1st Begins with fresh breezes from the Eastward with snow squalls at ½ past M. found ourselves close to the ice Cape Apopinskoi bearing N.W. distant 22 miles kept off in half an hour wore ship heading S.S.W at 4 P.M. the weather setting in very thick luffed up to S. by E. middle part wind the same after part kept her off S.S.W. and plenty of snow

Lat. by Obs. 58..08 N.
Long. " Acct 166..15 E

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Sunday May 2nd Begins with fresh breeze from the Eastward steering S. W. wore ship and kept her N. N. W. raised two sail on our lee bow double reefed the topsails, at 5 P. M wind increases and weather very thick, with every appearance of another gale of wind and snow storm furled the mainsail, furled fore topsail also mizen topsail and close reefed maintopsail middle part a gale of wind from N. E. with snow heading S. E. by E. after part the gale continues from the same quarter with a very heavy sea running

Lat. by Acct 57" 30 N
Long. " D°. 166" – E

Monday May 3rd Begins with a gale of wind from N. E. and a snowstorm and a heavy sea on heading S. E½ E. at 3 P. M. moderates a little shook one reef out of the maintopsail and set reefed foresail being on a lee shore, middle part moderates a little and wind hauls to the Northward heading E. at an early hour set whole foresail and double reefed topsails, after part wind moderating and hauls N. E heading N. N. W. raised a sail on our lee beam

Lat. by Obs. 57" 20 N.
Long. " Chron 166" 40 E

Tuesday May 4th Begins with cloudy weather and moderate winds from N. E. heading N. N. W. the sail on our lee beam still in sight, during the afternoon occasional snow squalls middle part wind light from N. E heading N. N. W. after part dies away to a calm This morning commenced breaking out our after hold and found our oil in a woful state remainder of the day, all hands employed in coopering

Lat. by Obs 57" 58 N
Long. " Chron 165" 34 E

Wednesday May 5th Begins with fine weather and a dead calm. all hands employed in breaking out and coopering oil. the casks were nearly all very slack some of them so much so that the oil ran in streams when they were moved. It's a fortunate circumstance that we commenced breaking out for in a short time we would have lost the great part, as it's our loss as far as we have gone into the cargo is a mere trifle. What has caused this unlooked for state of our oil so recently cooper we shall not pretend to say, until we see the condition of the remainder, when we shall hazard an opinion. Two sails were seen from aloft this afternoon becalmed like ourselves, but no whales, the ground appears as barren as the deserts of Arabia, altho we are on the very spot where last May we saw whales in abundance At ½ past 8 P.M. saw a bow head close to the ship he moved very leisurely and gave us a good opportunity to examine him thoroughly. he was one of the old sort, but it was too late to lower for him, middle part light airs from the Eastward steering N. by E. At an early hour commenced breaking out on the larboard side of the after hatch and found eight casks in the ground tier partly empty remainder of the day wind the same and snowing

Lat. by Obs 58„47 N.
Long. „ Chron 166„10 E

Thursday May 6th Begins with light airs from N.E. wore ship heading E.S.E. the crew employed in coopering oil, snowing all the afternoon at 6 P.M. passed a ships lantern keg floating past, expect some boat has been knocked to pieces by a whale. middle part wind light and baffling from the Northward heading E.N.E. and N.E.

after part a calm and a snow storm also raised a sail on the lee beam

Lat. by Obs. 58.41 N.
Long. " Chron 168.29 E

Friday May 7th Begins with a calm in half an hour a light breeze springs up from the Westward squared the yards and set fore topmast studding sail steering E. N. E. at sunset took it in and hauled upon the wind, middle part calm in the morning watch a breeze springs up from N. N. E heading E. by S. after part a thick snow storm

Lat. by Acct. 58.30 N.
Long. " Do 170 " " E.

Saturday May 8th Begins with a snow and light winds from the Northward heading E. by N. at 3 P. M. the snow lights up a little saw a large bowhead within 1/2 a mile of the ship, did not lower as he was going too fast, at 6 P. M. a dead calm, middle part wind light, after part wind comes out from the Northward heading to the Eastward tacked ship heading to the Westward

Lat. by Obs. 59.16 N.
Long. " Chron 169.17 E

Sunday May 9th Begins with light winds from the Northward heading to the Westward and snowy tacked ship wind heading to N. W. at 3 P. M. the weather clears up and the land plain in sight Cape Oyropinykoi bearing N. N. E. 50 miles distant completely enveloped in snow, at 6 P. M. raised a bowhead on our lee bow two miles distant lowered all four boats after two risings he came up again and showed a chance the 4th mate pulled on him, the boatsteerer stood up and endeavored to push his iron into him striking his fin, and endeavored the second time to set it in him when the whale went down had he fastened with his second iron, no doubt we would have taken the whale, at ½ past 8 P.M. the boats came alongside and were hoisted up when we furled topgallant sails jib and flying jib, hauled up foresail and mainsail and luffed up to the wind, head to the Northward middle part light winds from the Westward, at daylight made sail and stood in toward the land, saw a number of humpbacks also the ice extending out fifteen or 20 miles from land

Lat. by Obs 59 " 40 N.
Long. " Chron 170 " 18 E.

Monday May 10th Begins with light airs from the Westward steering N.E. saw 4 ships one a Frenchman nothing this season. the Seine and Enterprise of New Bedford and one ship a long distance off, at 6 P.M. a dead calm and a large body of ice within 8 miles of us neither of the above ships had taken any thing this season heard from the Gladiator one whale this season, middle part nearly calm after part spoke the William Tell of New London nothing this season also the Hibernia of New Bedford nothing saw the Vesper one whale, remainder of the day light winds from the Eastward steering to the Westward, plenty of humpbacks and finbacks in sight

Lat. by Obs. 59 " 37 N.
Long. " Chron 169 " 31 E

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Tuesday May 11th Begins with fine weather and light winds from the Eastward steering to the Westward large quantities of ice floating in every direction, about 2 P. M. found ourselves nearly hemmed in by the ice, large fields of it as far as the eye could reach on both sides of us ahead, and closing in astern of us, in some places miles in width, there was no alternative but to push our way through in some way or other, and as the barometer was very low, indicating a storm, it became highly important for us to extricate ourselves from this dilemma as speedily as possible, tho' the splinters should fly in every direction. Accordingly upon nearing the most open part we could see from mast head, we backed main and mizen topsails and clued down topgallant sails, that the first concussion should not be heavy, as several ships were sunk last season by the ice, and prepared to enter. As she struck the first piece she trembled from stem to stern and slowly began to enter, the ice here was loose and in detached pieces, some of them ten to fifteen feet in thickness and of various dimensions from a horse down to an acre, picking our way through, the ship sometimes almost coming to a dead stand as she brought up against some huge piece, for a time doubtful which would give way the ice or the ship, we gradually worked through and in half an hours time were once more in the clear sea with all sail set steering S. W. by W. The ships we have seen yesterday and to day were bound in different directions some to the Northward, some to the Southward, some to the Eastward and others to the Westward in search of whales. The north part of the sea is completely blocked up with ice the ships not being able to get within 4 or 5 degrees of Cape Thaddeus. At 6.30 P.M. saw a bowhead within ½ a mile of the ship, immediately lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, the whale however went down before the boats touched the water and they started off pulling in the same direction he was going, in half an hour he broke water again 1½ miles ahead of the boats, and from the way he used his paddles under water, he must have taken lessons from an Atlantic Steamer, the boats were then called on board hoisted up and we stood on S.W. by W. middle part light winds from the same quarter, after part snow squalls, at 11½ A.M. raised a bowhead going eyes out, did not lower for him also saw two ships

Lat. by Obs. 58"50 N.
Long. " Chron. 168"40 E.

Wednesday May 12th Begins with light winds from N.W. running after the bowhead but was compelled to give him up, and we stood on E.S.E. also raised a sail on our lee bow standing in toward the land, at sunset 8 ships in sight from mast head, going in every direction middle part wind light from the Westward steering E. after part wind and course the same spoke the Seine of New Bedford nothing this season

Lat. by Obs. 58"29 N.
Long. " Chron 171"28 E.

Thursday May 13th Begins with good weather and light winds from W.N.W. steering E. by N. spoke the Midas of New Bedford, nothing this season. the Midas had been to Hong Kong, and was compelled to return on account of the small pox breaking out on board of her, when she was searched by the English authorities there under the impression they had soldiers concealed on board. It appears that they had lost 200 soldiers by desertion and it was supposed they had gone into the interior until the 2nd mate of one of the ships being on shore one night made his boasts, he had secreted 5 of them on board his ship, she was searched and the men found, the consequence was the ship was seized together with the Captain and mate, when to save themselves and the vessel the blame was thrown upon the 2nd mate where it belonged, and he was sentenced to Sydney to work at stone for seven years. This led to an investigation and it was soon ascertained that the deserters had gone off in American whalers aided by a boarding master on shore, who was sentenced to hard labour at picking stone in Sydney for 25 years. This will lead to a close examination of all American whalers going hereafter to recruit at Hongkong. Middle part wind and course the same after part wind W. N. W steering E. N. E

Lat. by Obs. 38..26 N
Long. " Chron 174..3 E

Friday May 14th Begins with good weather and light winds from the Westward the two ships we spoke yesterday still in sight, also raised another sail which proved to be the bark Candace of New London 10 months out, she had 230 barrels of oil 100 of it sperm they had been twice to the Northward trying to get to Cape Thaddeus but did not succeed being unable to proceed further than 60°.20 North middle part light winds from the Westward steering S. after part wind the same, at 9 A. M. raised a right whale about 2 miles off lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but were unable to fasten to him, at 11.30 A.M. raised another right whale, lowered the same boats again

Lat. by Ob. 57.24 N.
Long. " Chro 174.20 E

Saturday May 15th Begins with light airs from the Westward, the boats down in pursuit of the whale, at 1 P.M. they came alongside having given up the whale, were hoisted up and we stood on S.E. during the afternoon altered our course to N.E. middle part wind hauls to S.W. steering N.E. after part commenced breaking out the main hatch and coopering our oil we found two empty casks here remainder of the day wind light from S.W. steering N.E.

Lat. by Acct. 58.28 N.
Long. " Do 177.30 E

Sunday May 16th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from S.W. steering N.E. by N. the crew employed in breaking out the main hatch which was finished by supper time the wind also hauls to N.W. with light snow squalls middle part wind light from S.W. steering N.E. by N. after part wind hauls to the Northward heading E. by N. saw one ship on our lee bow

Lat. by Obs. 58.39 N.
Long. " Chro 179.5 E

Monday May 17th Begins with light winds from the Northward heading E. by N. snowing very thick, at 3 P.M. the weather clears up saw 2 ships on our weather beam having quite a sociable "gam" also saw ice on our weather bow 8 miles off, the other ship still on our lee bow overhauling her very fast, middle part light winds from the Northward heading E.N.E after part wind hauls to N.W. steering N.E. by N. saw another sail on our lee quarter, also saw immense fields of ice, passed one field and soon came to another plenty of fin backs and california greys in sight

Lat. by Obs. 58.50 N.
Long. " Chron. 177.58 W.

Tuesday May 18th Begins with fine clear weather and light winds from N.W. steering S.E. and ice in sight at 3 P.M. cleared the field of ice and abandoned all hopes at present of reaching Cape Thaddeus, as the ice extends from 60° North to the St. which no doubt are firm and solid and will be for a month to come, middle part wind light from the N.W. heading W.S.W after part wind hauls to the Northward heading W.

Lat. by Obs. 58.28 N.
Long. " Chron 177.28 W

Wednesday May 19th Begins with fine weather and light breezes from the Northward heading W. by N. nothing but fin backs and mud diggers in sight, middle part almost a dead calm plenty of ice in sight also one ship, after part a light breeze springs up from S.W. heading N.W.

Lat. by Obs. 58.50 N
Long. " Chron 178.49 W

Thursday May 20th Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from the S.W. steering N.W. in an hour hauls to the Northward the ice becoming so thick was compelled to tack ship heading W. by S. at 8.30 P.M. spoke the ship Betsey Williams of Stonington 10 months out 160 barrels 100 of it sperm, middle part a dead calm and plenty of ice, after part a breeze springs up from S.W. running along the ice tacking occasionally to keep clear of it

Lat. by Obs. 58.34 N.
Long. " Chron 179.56 E.

Friday May 21st. Begins with light breezes from S.W. running along the ice, at 6 P.M. came to the south end of the field having run along it for upwards 30 miles. also seen a ship some 15 miles in the ice apparently endeavoring to extricate herself. there are immense fields of ice all over the sea, it is completely filled with it requiring the utmost caution that we do not get blocked in by some of the immense fields of it. the Betsey Williams has been either running thro' or in the immediate vicinity of ice for the last 10 days. the prospect for whaling this season begins to look very gloomy, last ~~this~~ season this time we had taken 1000 barrels of oil this season we have not broke black skin thus far, and it is hard telling when we will middle and after parts nearly a dead calm

Lat. by Acct 59.45
Long. " Do. 179.00 E

Saturday May 22nd. Begins with moderate breezes from E.N.E. steering N.W. by N. no ice in sight, the snow also begins to fall very fast, at 4 P.M. spoke the Bark Newton 9 months out 15 barrels of Sperm oil, nothing this season middle part fell in with plenty of ice kept her off S.W. remainder of the day running along the ice

Lat. by Obs 60.12 N
Long. " Chron 175.25 E

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Sunday May 23rd. Begins with thick cloudy weather and moderate breezes from N.N.W steering almost every point of the compass to avoid the floating ice which besets us in every direction, some times endeavoring to get around some large field 20 or 30 miles in length or forcing a passage through when we find it sepearated in detached pieces making a course very similar to a rams horn, as we dodge about between the floating masses. This is the sixth day we have been running through or along the ice a distance of 500 miles, requiring constant vigilance united with coolness and judgment, sometimes running along a field of ice for 20 miles, not daring to venture in it on account of its being too solid or packed until we come to the southern extremity of it, when a clear sea meets the eye and we go on our way rejoicing, when lo in half an hour we bring up in the centre of another 20 mile patch too solid to interfere with, up goes the wheel for another 3 or 4 hours run to reach the end of that and find a clear sea again, perhaps in an hour more we come on to a ~~broken~~ patch of broken ice extending in length as far as the eye can reach and 4 or 5 miles in width, consisting of loose pieces varying in size from a corn basket, up to Barnums mammoth tent Having carefully examined the work before us, as the experience of last season has practically demonstrated, that ice is not to be trifled with and come to the conclusion that we would try it, the best steersman is placed at the wheel and the officers on the top works and bows when the ship enters it, and as she gradually moves along between the masses, the rapid order of "hard up" "hard down", "steady" some half dozen times a minute to the attentive helmsman, announcing that the work begins to wax warm, as she glides along in her serpentine course, which is further corroborated by an occasional sudden jar, as she "bucks" up against some large piece which it was impossible to dodge. when finally she arrives at a clear sea This is the kind of navigation we have experienced the last six days and nights, manfully breasting the ice when we thought there was no danger and at other times running, nor are we alone for this afternoon we counted from off deck ten sail similarly situated with ourselves making the best of their way along, either through the ice or around it as prudence dictated, middle part wind hauls to N.E. steering N.W. by N. At an early hour made the land directly ahead 50 miles off., also 16 sail one of them the Francis Henrietta, boiling plenty of fin backs in sight and ice in loose pieces, but very thick, the heaviest we have seen, some of it as high as our main top spoke the William Tell nothing this season also saw a bow head lowered all four boats but could not get near him

Lat. by Acct. 60.30 N.
Long. " Chron 173.20 E

Monday May 24th Begins with strong breezes from N.E. and occasional snow squalls steering N.W. by N. any quantity of ships and ice in sight, saw one bow head but did not lower also spoke the Albion nothing since leaving Mangonui, at 6 P.M. strong breezes from E.N.E double reefed the topsails and wore ship heading off shore S.E. middle part a gale of wind from N.E. furled mainsail, foresail, jibs furled fore and mizen topsails and hove her to under close reefed maintopsail and fore top mast staysail heading in toward the Westward, at 6 A.M. wore ship being close in to the land, remainder of the day a gale of wind from N.E. heading E.S.E

Lat. by Obs. 60„11 N
Long. „ Chron 173.3 E

Tuesday May 25th Begins with half a gale of wind, the weather moderating, set close reefed topsails, foresail and mainsail, the land about 40 miles distant, the ship heading E. by N. 5 sail in sight, middle part wind moderating, made all sail, after part nearly calm stood in toward the land plain in sight 25 or 30 miles distant, the ice appeared to be very thin, and in we went, but were soon compelled to back out again it proving too thick for us, 7 sail in sight

Lat. by Obs. 60„17 N
Long. „ Chron 172„29 E

Wednesday May 26th Begins with light airs from the Westward heading to the Northward spoke the Albion again also the Indian ~~Due~~ Chief of New London, at 4 P.M. seen a bow head a mile off, but as he did not lay on the water but a minute or two did not lower for him, The whales here play a curious game if they spout at all it can not be seen from the ship, and the first that you are aware of their presence is seeing them close to, laying fin out basking in the sun, and the moment a boat is down they are down too and that is the last you see of them, latter part of the afternoon heading S.E. by S the wind very light the three ships jogging along in company, middle part fresh breezes from W. N. W steering S. S. W. after part wind heavy to S. W. ship heading S. E. by S but one ship in sight the Albion some 6 or 8 miles astern

Lat. by Ob. 58.19 N.
Long. " Chron 171.16 E

Thursday May 27th Begins with moderate breezes from S. W. heading S. E. by S. the weather a little hazy, the Albion still astern, fin backs occasionally in sight but no bow heads middle part wind the same, after part wind growing lighter from S. W. spoke the Good Return 9 months out 250 barrels sperm and one bow head this season

Lat. by Acct 57. 10 N.
Long. " Do 172. ∽ E

Friday May 28th Begins with light airs from S. W. heading N. W. by N. 4 sail in sight one of them boiling, one fin back in sight about a mile off, at 6 P. M. a dead calm middle part wind breezes up from the Eastward tacking ship through the night beating to windward, after part half a gale of wind raised a bow head too rugged to lower

Lat. by Acct 57..50 N
Long. " Do 173.. ∽ E

Saturday May 29th Begins with half a gale of wind from E. N. E. and a rain storm heading to the Northward under double reefed topsails, at 5 P. M. raised another bow head the weather too bad to lower, middle part wind moderates and thick fog sets in; after part nearly calm with fog and rain the wind hauls to N.E. heading N.N.W.

Lat. by Acct. 59.20 N.
Long. " Do. 173.30 E

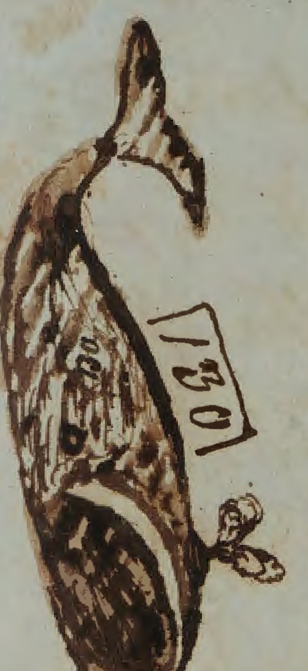
Sunday May 30th Begins with fog and rain and light winds from N.E. heading W.N.W. saw one ship on our weather bow on the other tack standing off shore at 1/2 past 8 P.M. came very near being run into by the Harrison of New Bedford it being a thick fog at the time. whether she had any oil we were unable to ascertain middle part thick fog and light winds from N.E heading S.E. by E. at 7 A.M wore ship heading N.N.W. after part foggy, saw 4 ships

Lat. by Acct. 60.5 N.
Long. " Do. 172.30 E

Monday May 31st Begins with a thick fog, wind also breezes up from E.N.E heading N. took in flying jib and top-gallant sails, the weather looking threatening and proving it a disagreeable night, the fog being very thick and plenty of vessels not far from us, middle part weather clears up and wind hauls to the N. heading W. by N. the land also appears in sight about 30 miles distant ahead and on our lee bow being Cape Apopinskoi, after part wind the same and good weather

Lat. by Obs. 60.26 N
Long. " Chron 171.17 E

Tuesday June 1st Begins with good weather and light winds from the Northard running along the land, ice in sight on our weather bow and directly ahead, at half past 3 P. M. raised two bowheads making the best of their way to the ice, lowered all 4 boats, the whales went into the ice and the boats after them, about 7 P. M. they made out to get on one of them and the 2nd mate fastened to him, when he came up the 1st and 4th mates went on to him together and commenced lancing killing him so quick that he had not time to spout blood, at any rate none could be seen from the ship. They then commenced towing him out of the ice and by 20 minutes past 8 had him alongside. two ships in sight within a quarter of a mile of us the James Maury of New Bedford and the Lydia of Fairhaven, did not speak either of them as we were too much engaged just then. the Lydia hailed us when she saw our boats going in the ice, shouting at the top of their lungs "it's a fin back". "werry kind indeed" as Samuel Weller would say, wonder what they thought of the fin back, when they saw the boats towing a bow head to the ship. After securing the whale took supper and commenced cutting him in ¼ of 10 P. M and finished cutting at 2.20 A. M. rather late work one unacquainted with the latitude would suppose, the sun sets below the horizon for a few hours, but gives us no night, his course is distinctly visible from the setting point in the West to the North and then to the East where he again emerges from the horizon, his rays constantly illumining the heavens some distance from the horizon whilst he is below it, in intensity equal to the light midway between early dawn and sunrise at home, so that we are far from groping in darkness. At 6 A. M. raised another bowhead lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but lost the run of him in the ice



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Long. " Chron. 172. 7 E

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Wednesday June 2nd. Begins with beautiful weather and light winds from S.W. steering N.E½N. running along the land three ships in sight. the Jancy Maury. the Lydia and another name unknown, at 5 P.M. started the works and commenced boiling, at 6 set try watches. the starboard watch below, middle part wind hauls to N.E. ship heading N.W.W. after part wind hauls to the Southward ~~st~~ running in toward the land several ships in sight

Lat. by Acct 61.05 N
Long. " Do. 174.30 E

Thursday June 3rd. Begins with beautiful weather and moderate breezes from S.S.W. steering N.E. the watch employed in boiling, plenty of humpbacks in sight, but not the sign of a bow head, the ice too has almost entirely disappeared, but a few days since there were immense quantities of it here, which has either dissolved or been drifted further North, at any rate it is no longer here. The most of the fleet which came here a month since have left for the Ochotsk. and there is no doubt 300 sail of whalemen in that sea, should they make a failure of it in the Ochotsk this season, upon the arrival of the fleet at Oahu there will not be barbers enough in the place to shave them, their visages will be so lengthened. It may be our fleet here that will be transmogrif into knights of the rueful visage, but the ice having broken up so much earlier this season than last, we confidently look forward to a good season in the Arctic at any rate from present appearances we feel disposed to risk our chance here, middle part wind light–

from the same quarter course the same after part wind and course do. cooled down at 11 A. M. the whale turning up on deck 150 barrels of oil

Lat. by Obs. 61„ 55 N.
Long. „ Chron 175„ 42 E.

Friday June 4th. Begins with fine weather and moderate breeze from S.W. steering N.E. b E running along the land which is very erroneously laid down on the general chart, both in shape and latitude. At 1 P. M. spoke the Bremen ship Otaheite, one whale this season, she reported the total loss of the Ship Huntress of New Bedford this season on the island of Karaghinskoi on the coast of Kamtschatka being the first loss we have heard of this season she was lost in the month of April and her crew were divided among the shipping which happened to be near at hand middle part thick fog and a dead calm, at an early hour commenced stowing down, at 9 A. M. a breeze springs up from S.W. hauled aback the main yard, head to S.S.E. remainder of the day thick fog.

Lat. by Acct 62„ 10 N.
Long. „ Do. 176„ 50 E

Saturday June 5th. Begins with a dense fog and light breeze from S.W. ship heading S.S.E. laying with main yard aback, the crew employed in stowing down oil. at 1 P. M. the fog lifts up a little saw two ships one on each quarter immediately kept her off N.E. spoke the Alexander of New Bedford 200 barrels whale oil since leaving home a year since, also counted 12 ships from off deck a number of them laying at anchor. At 7 P. M spoke the Betsey Williams of Stonington 1 California gray since we saw her last making 25 barrels This afternoon finished stowing down our oil about 125 barrels. The Betsey Williams reports plenty of ice but a short distance from us effectually stopping all further progress to the North at present, which accounts for the ships being at anchor this afternoon. the ice however they say is melting fast. two or three of the ships have taken each a california grey. At 9 P.M. sounded and found bottom at 14 fathoms, immediately kept her off E. middle watch sounded again with the same depth, after part luffed up to the wind heading S. by W. also got up larboard chain and bent it to the anchor, remainder of the day thick fog

Lat. by Acct 61„40 N.
Long. „ Do. 176.10 E

Sunday June 6th Begins with a thick fog and light airs from the Westward heading S. by W. at 3 P.M. sounded and 40 fathoms of water, middle part still foggy wind the same after part spoke the Kutuzoff of New Bedford nothing this season, also saw the ice apparently very thick, standing off and on

Lat. by Acct 62„„ N
Long. „ Do. 176„20 E

Monday June 7th Begins with thick fog and light winds from W. S. W. heading N. W. plenty of ice in sight, At 1 P.M begins to clear away a little saw the land about 10 miles distant, also counted 9 ships, spoke the Albion nothing since we saw her last. At 5 P.M comes in thick again wore ship heading S. by W. middle part almost calm laying off and on, after part saw 20 sail of ships, and not one of them either cutting or boiling spoke the Dover of New London 1 bowhead and two ripsacks this season making 160 barrels of oil upon nearing the ice, we saw great numbers of walrus scattered along on its surface in pods of 10 or a dozen each pod their large tusks fairly glistening. many were also seen in the water swimming along toward the ice, lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats and went into the ice. The walrus appeared to be very timid dreading the approach of man, and on the least appearance of danger dragging along their unwieldy carcase to the edge of the ice, tumbled themselves headlong or any other way which was most convenient into the water, making a terrible splashing as they fell The mates boat pulled up to a large cake of ice on which were about a dozen of them, as soon as the boat struck the ice, the crew sprang upon it and started for them on the full run, when such another rolling, tumbling wallowing and scratching as there was among them would seldom be witnessed, a flock of sheep with a strange dog among them would not cut up more antics than they did, and as large and clumsy as they were, they all succeeded in rolling into the water but one large bull which they succeeded in killing with lances and iron poles which they plied vigorously over his head, they soon afterwards killed another one, the 3rd mate also killed one, having skinned them with the blubber adhering to the skin, the carcass was set adrift and the remainder towed to the ship During the rest of the day clear and calm Cape Thaddeus plain in sight 50 miles distant bearing N. by compass

Lat. by Double Alty. 61.50 N
Long. " Chron 178.16 E

1852 In the Sea of Kamtscatka

Tuesday June 8th Begins with a calm the ship laying about a mile from the ice, plenty of ships in sight, some with their boats down in pursuit of walrus and others laying with their main yards aback, waiting for the whales to come along or the ice to break up one or both, when we lowered all four boats and started into the ice for walrus. The 3rd mate only obtained one which he brought on board, the mate tackled two of them with lances, when they both pitched off the ice together one on each side of his boat the tusks of one them hooking to the gunwale on one side and the tusks of the other going through the boat on the other side, It was a narrow escape for had they gone into the boat instead of on either side of her their immense weight would have dashed her into fragments and perhaps proved fatal to her entire crew At 4 P.M. the weather coming in thick and foggy the boats were called on board and hoisted up, a little puff of air springing up from S.W. wore around head off the ice. We are now about as far North as we can get at present as the ice a few miles from us is very thick and solid but the weather is making sad inroads into it and we are in hopes in the course of two or three weeks more of being able to effect a passage into the Arctic, middle part a dead calm, after part counted 16 ships

Lat. by Obs. 61.59 N.
Long. " Acct. 179.. E

Wednesday June 9th Begins with light winds from N.E. heading S.E. by E. the ice had shifted some 10 or 15 miles during the night moving to the Northward at 3 P.M. spoke the Adeline nothing this season, she had seen two whales to day, during the afternoon we also saw a bow head, making the best of his way to the ice but a drizzling rain setting in did not lower also saw a ship cutting to windward of us, it appeared to be a stinker not much blasted suppose it was a bowhead that some ship had been fast to and finding him running into the ice were compelled to cut from him, that he turned up in the ice and that breaking up this ship was fortunate enough to pick him up we did not know the ship, middle and after parts foggy at 12 M lights up a little and fog clears up, any quantity of ice in every direction

Lat. by Obs. 62" 3 N.
Long. " Chron 179" 8 E

Thursday June 10th Begins with light airs from N. E. laying with main yard aback the ice close to. spoke the Albion again nothing yet, braced forward again and endeavored to pick our way between the large fields of floating ice of great length and very solid, at 6 P. M. saw a bow head close to the ship, immediately lowered 1st and 2nd boats, no sooner had the boats touched the water than a thick fog set in, they saw him once more and were compelled to come on board, middle part light winds and foggy after part clears up saw Cape Thaddeus about 25 miles distant and plenty of walrus floating along on the ice some cakes having a dozen on it remainder of the day picking our way through the ice toward the land where we saw a clear sea

Lat. by Obs. 62" 20 N
Long. " Acct 179" 30 E

1852 Off Cape St. Thaddeus

Friday June 11th Begins with fresh breezes from the Southward running through the ice to get under the land, at 3 P.M. came into an open space between the main ice and shore ice some 5 or 6 miles in width and counted 19 ships, the breeze also freshens very fast, with every appearance of a gale of wind coming on took in foresail and mainsail and double reefed fore and main topsails, also close reefed mizen topsail, and made preparations to beat about in this 6 mile pond as it was now impossible to get out, middle and after parts a moderate gale of wind from the Southward plenty of bow heads in sight all around the ship presume the wind has packed the ice together so, it has driven them out of it, too rugged to lower

Lat. by Acct. 62.20 N
Long. " Do. 179.25 E

Saturday June 12th Begins with a gale of wind from the Southward laying off and on the land, plenty of bow heads in sight, one continual cry on deck of "there she blows" but cannot lower on account of the weather, this is a severe trial for us, to be tied up in this manner, as much as we want whales, plenty of them around us and we compelled to stand and look at them and quite a number of ships in the same predicament with ourselves. middle part thick fog saw whales close to the ship, at 6 A.M. the fog lights up a little saw two whales lowered all 4 boats, but could not get on them After breakfast lowered all the boats again but with no better success and they were called on board, at 11.30 A.M. lowered 1. 2nd and 3rd

1852 Off Cape St. Thaddeus

boats after another whale, remainder of the day the boats chasing whales saw one ship cutting suppose the Adeline

Lat. by Acct 62.15 N
Long. " Do. 179.45 E

Sunday June 13th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from the Southward the boats still chasing whales. Whilst our boats were down another ship two miles astern of them lowered three boats and followed on after ours. We had our 4th boat on the cranes which we immediately lowered and sent off in an opposite direction from the whale pulling and heaving their very soul case out. The ruse took one of their boats turned short around and pulled after her tugging with might and main, after leading them some distance astray, our boat pulled on board the ship, the strange boat no doubt wishing her all kinds of good luck. At 2 P.M our boats came on board being unable to fasten During the afternoon saw the Albion take a whale alongside, in two hours saw her take the whale alongside and lose him, middle part a light breeze springs up from the Westward kept her off S.E. but in a short time was compelled to luff to the wind on account of ice, in the morning counted 30 sail from mast head 4 of them boiling, after part thick fog

Lat. by Acct. 63.10 N.
Long. " Do. 179.20 W.

Monday June 14th Begins with a thick fog, at 2 P.M. lights up spoke the Gene. Williams of New London boiling one whale this season, the wind also hauls to the Eastward and rain sets in the ship heading S. by E. plenty of ice in sight

At 6 P.M. furled maintopgallant sail and mainsail, intending to remain under easy sail, as the weather was thick and rainy and ice all around us, middle part thick and rainy, after part spoke the Coquimbo boiling three whales this season, after part thick fog (chased one whale)

Lat. by Double Alts. 63.08 N
Long. " Chron 178.1 W

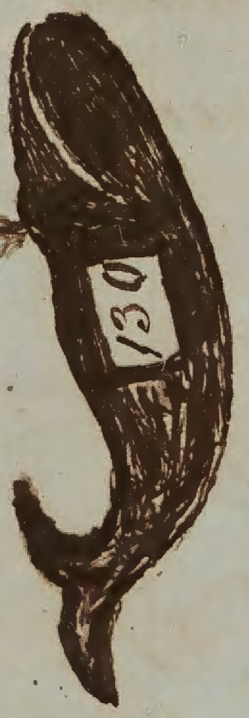
Tuesday June 15th Begins with thick fog, wind from W.S.W. laying with main yard aback, at 1 P.M. clewed up braced forward and stood on 14 ships in sight and plenty of ice, at 5 P.M commenced raining, saw the Albion take a whale alongside during the afternoon beating to windward, middle part saw two whales making for the ice, after part standing to the Westward wind S.S.W. Cape Thaddeus plain in sight 35 miles distant, plenty of ships in sight 4 boiling one cutting

Lat. by Obs. 62.38 N
Long. " Chron 179.10 W

Wednesday June 16th Begins with moderate breezes from the Southward heading to the Westward endeavoring to weather the end of a large field of packed ice, at 3 P.M. a thick fog sets in, at 5 wore ship heading S.E. by E. middle part wind the same at 3 A.M. wore ship again having fallen in with thick ice, after part spoke the George Washington of Wareham nothing this season also heard of the Braganza two whales

Lat. by Acct 62.00 N
Long " Do 178.— W

Thursday June 17th Begins with a thick fog, wind S.S.W. heading to the Westward the George Washington laying close by us. Captn Gibbs of the Huntress was on board, he stated that after his ship was lost. they remained a month on shore, most of them living in a cave, the remainder in a house they had erected on the island; many of the crew were badly frost bitten, one of them will lose both feet. When they were taken off they had a small schooner half finished, in which they intended to leave. Their sufferings must have been severe in that cold climate in the month of April, on the bleak shores of Kamtschatka in 57° North, At 7 P.M. clears up saw the land about 40 miles distant a light breeze springs up from S.W. steering S.E. at 3 A.M. seen whales lowered all the boats at 9 came on board could not strike, At 10 A.M. lowered again plenty of whales in sight but very shy. the 2nd mate struck and the mate killed him before he could reach the ice remainder of the day a dead calm, boats towing



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Long. " Chron 178.40 W.

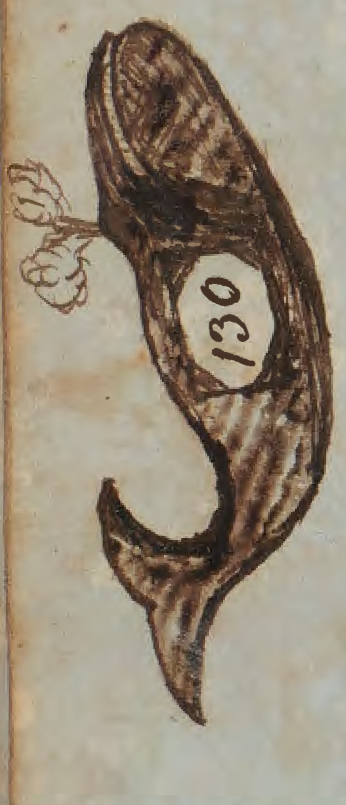
Friday June 18th Begins with a dead calm the boats towing the whale to the ship, at 1 P.M had him secured alongside, at 1.35 P.M. commenced cutting and finished at 5.15, the ship having drifted almost into the ice, luckily a light breeze sprung up from the Eastward directly off the ice a thick fog also set in, plenty of whales along the edge of the ice, which is close packed, so that we dare not strike near the ice, as we would lose both the whale and the line, middle part the fog lights up a little saw two whales the watch lowered but could not get on, at 5 A. M saw a large bow head within a ships length, the mate lowered and just as he was going on the whale settled did not follow him it being a thick fog, remainder of the day boiling

Lat. by Acct 62.15 N.
Long. " D° 179. – W.

Saturday June 19th Begins with a thick fog and moderate breezes from N. E. laying off and on the ice, the watch employed in boiling during the afternoon lights up a few minutes saw a large ship to leeward boiling, middle part thick fog, after part lights up a little saw whales lowered but could not get on, remainder of the day boiling

Lat. by Obs 62.15 N.
Long. " Acct 179.20 W

Sunday June 20th Begins with a thick fog and light winds from the Northward heading off and on the ice, at 6 P. M. finished boiling at 6 the fog lights up saw plenty of whales lowered all the boats, at ½ past 9 they returned could not strike saw 9 ships several of them boiling and cutting also saw the land bearing N. W. 60 miles off. middle part wind and weather the same, at 5 A. M saw whales, 1st and 3rd boats lowered, the mate struck, the 2nd mate then lowered and killed the whale, cut him in, in 2 hours 38 minutes remainder of the day thick fog.



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Monday June 21st Begins with a thick fog, wind light from the Northward standing along under easy sail, At 2 P.M started the works again, at 5 lights up saw plenty of ships most of them boiling. at 6 thick fog. middle part dryzling rain wind N.W. heard whales blowing near the ship the 3rd mate lowered but couldnot see them after part thick fog the crew employed in boiling and stowing down

Lat. by Acct 61.50 N.
Long. " Do 179. 00 W.

Tuesday June 22nd Begins with a thick fog and light airs from N.W. steering to the Eastward the crew employed in boiling and stowing down at 6 P.M. wind N.N.E heading E. by S. middle part thick fog, after part fog the same cooled down at 10 A.M. also stowed down, had a glimpse of the land about 50 miles distant

Lat. by Acct. 62. 00 N.
Long. " Do 179. 30 W

Wednesday June 23rd Begins with light airs from the Southward at 1 P.M. lights up saw whales close to the ice lowered all four boats but did not succeed the 3rd mate went on one whale and his boatsteerer missed him pitchpoling his iron, spoke the Louisa of New Bedford one whale this season, saw the Moctezuma boiling heard of her having 8 whales, also spoke the Otaheite of Bremen 5 whales this season middle part thick fog, at an early hour lights up saw whales, the 2nd and 4th mates lowered, afterwards the rest of the boats, but the fog setting in did not strike at 13.30 A.M. lights up saw whales lowered all the boats, remainder of the day clear

Lat. by Obs 61.54 N.
Long. " Chron 179. 00 W

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Thursday June 24th Begins with clear weather and light airs from the Westward laying off and on the ice. plenty of whales in the ice and boats all there, but found the whales very wild, at 4 the boats returned at 5 lowered again, spoke the Charles Carrol 9 whales this season, also the George Washn of New Bedford 6 whales this season, saw her turn up another whale, making 7 at 8 P. M. the boats returned, set mainsail standing off the ice, middle part thick fog after part the same wind W. N. W.

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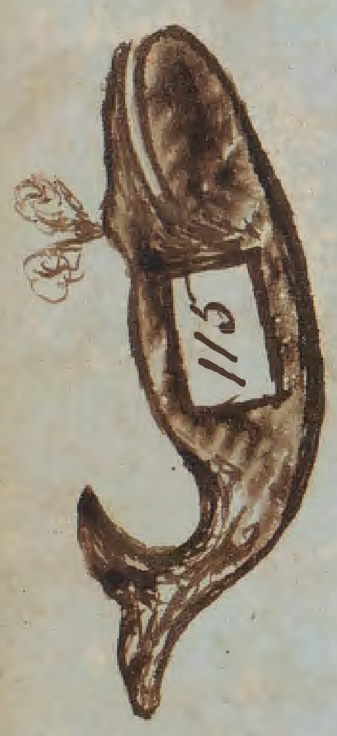

Friday June 25th Begins with a thick fog, laying with main yard aback, head to the Northward wind from the Westward, middle part wind hauls to the Eastward laying off and on the ice; at 4 A. M. the fog lights up a little saw 6 ships, one of them boiling, also raised whales, lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, in a short time the 3rd mate struck, when the whale started at full speed for the ice which he succeeded in reaching and plunged into it taking the line, the boats dashed in after him and when he came up the 3rd mate succeeded in killing him, a thick fog then set ~~him~~ in and it was very doubtful, whether we should save him, they however stuck to him and forced their way out through the ice with their whale in tow, the ship firing guns and blowing horns to let them know her position. About 8 A. M we had the satisfaction of seeing them in the fog close to, when he was speedily secured alongside at 9.25 A. M commenced cutting and finished in 3½ hours, remainder of the day the fog

as thick as ever, with every prospect of continuing
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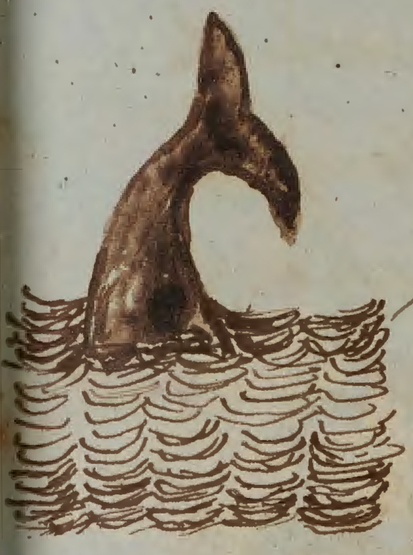
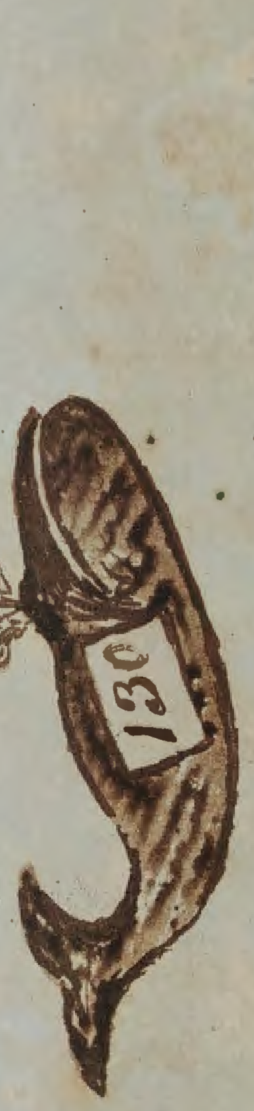


Saturday June 26th Begins with a thick fog wind from the Eastward the ship laying with main yard aback, in the vicinity of the ice. At 6 P. M. started the works, middle part foggy and clear by spells, at an early hour the fog lights up saw a number of ships, among them the Seine, spoke her in the right 3 whales this season, also saw plenty of whales. lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd mates. the 1st mate struck and his boatsteerer killed him with his iron, as the whale turned up he pitched and sunk, the boats held on to him and raised him to within 20 fathoms of the surface, and after two hours hard toil were compelled to cut from him and let him go to the bottom when he now lies It was blowing half a gale of wind at the time and the boats were nearly swamped or they would have saved him. They returned to the ship and having coiled their lines. the 1st 2nd and 3rd mates started again, the 2nd mate taking the 4th mate as his boatsteerer his own having hurt his hand with the 1st whale. the mate struck again. and the 2nd mate coming up his boat steerer killed him with his iron, also cooled down the works. remainder of the day. the boats fast and the whale spouting thick blood, a very rugged sea on and blowing half a gale of wind from N. N. E.



Lat. by Obs. 61.49 N.
Long. " Chron 179.42 E

Sunday June 27th Begins with ½ a gale of wind from N. N. E. the boats still fast. at 2 P. M. had the whale alongside, a very large cow. plenty of whales in sight. after dinner were around and commenced cutting but in an hours time were compelled to abandon it for the present, and started the works having some 60 or 70 barrels of blubber in the blubber room, intending to lay by the whale until the weather moderate, the ship heading to the Eastward under foresail and reefed mizen topsail, middle part wind and sea on the increa after part, rove new cutting falls and began to cut, but was compelled to give it up it blowing now a gale of wind, parted both fluke chains and the hawser around the fin, and the whale went adrift, put another iron into him and secured him alongside, the try works in full way, during the night and forenoon saw a great many whales

Lat. by Obs 61„ 28 N.
Long. „ Chron 179. 7 E.

Monday June 28th. Begins with a gale of wind from N.N.E. to N.E. and a very ugly sea running, employed in boiling, at 2 P.M. cooled down it blowing too heavy to boil also furled the foresail and set main spencer plenty of whales constantly around, the ship lies like a cradle, and keeps her whale alongside admirably, at 7 P.M. moderates a little, at 3 A.M. pipes up stronger than ever at 7 both fluke chains had parted, veered out the whole length of the hawser and let the whale lay at that, remainder of the day a gale of wind from N.E.

Lat. by Obs. 61„ 16 N
Long. „ Acct. 178. 42 E

Tuesday June 29th Begins with a gale of wind from N.E laying by the whale head to the Westward, during the afternoon lulls a little, at 6 P.M. hauled the whale alongside, but found it was too rugged to attempt any thing at present, veered out the whole scope of the hauser again & to wait for better weather. We have now lain by him rising 48 hours and he is considerably blasted still we are in hopes of saving him, for the toil and trouble we have had with him thus far is almost incredible, this afternoon saw two ships under short sail, middle part wind lulls a little at 1 P.M. hauled the whale alongside and commenced cutting, the wind also ~~com~~ began to pipe up, we however continued in spite of wind and weather until we finished saving our whale, passed two ships cutting, they also had lain by their whales. at 11 A.M. started the works, remainder of the day a gale of wind from N.E. heading E by S

Lat. by Obs. 61 „ 07 N.
Long. „ Acct. 178 „ 30 E

Wednesday June 30th Begins with a moderate gale of wind from N.E. ship heading E. by S. and raining the weather cold and disagreeable the watch employed in boiling, middle part wind freshens, with snow and rain, at 4 A.M. moderates, commenced stowing down, saw 4 ships all boiling, also raised a dead whale from mast head the 2nd mate lowered and proceeded to it and soon set his wafe as a signal that it was worth taking, remainder of the day weather still moderating, the crew employed in boiling and stowing down, one boat towing the whale toward the ship

Lat. by Obs 60 „ 51 N.
Long. „ Chron 177 „ 38 E

Thursday. July 1st Begins with light airs from N.E. the crew employed in boiling and stowing down, also sent another boat to aſsist in towing, at 1 P.M. had the whale alongside and ~~he [illegible]~~ richly did he merit the appellation of stinker, the bone had dropped from his head and the body was fast approaching to diſsolution as the smell from him bore ample testimony we however stopped stowing down and cut him in. believing we should realize some 60 or 70 barrels of oil from him. This afternoon spoke the little Liverpool 3 bow heads and 1 right whale this season, also heard from the Gideon Howland 10 whales this season when spoken some time since, middle part employed in boiling, after part the crew engaged in stowing down and boiling wind from the Southward, steering N. E. by E. three ships in sight two of them boiling no whales seen these 24 hours

Lat. by Obs. 61 " 02 N.
Long. " Chron 178 " 27 E

Friday July 2nd Begins with good weather and moderate breeze from S. W. steering E. N. E. the crew engaged in boiling and stowing down two ships in sight. at 7 P. M. spoke the Minerva 2d 3 whales this season, two of them picked up, one a bow head, the other a sperm whale making 60 barrels of oil also the Washington of Sagharbor one stinker this season, we have also heard of the total loſs of the Metacom of New Bedford at the same place where the Huntress was lost, also cooled down. raised a right whale near the ship but did not lower, middle part light breeze from S. W. steering N. E. by N. after part wind hauls to S. S. E course the same the crew employed in stowing down

Lat. by Obs. 61 . 25 N
Long " Acct. 179 . 44 E

Saturday July 3rd Begins with hazy weather and light breezes from S.S.E. steering N.E. by N. the crew employed in stowing down, at 2 P.M. sets in thick fog steering N.N.E. at 5 P.M. finished stowing down for to day having stowed off the main hatchway in the lower hold at 6 P.M. passed a ship boiling on the other tack could just see her hull under the fog, middle part wind the same and light with fog squally course N.E. by N. after part wind and course the same with clear weather 3 ships in sight

Lat. by Obs 62.26 N.
Long. " Chron 176.57 W.

Sunday July 4th Begins with good weather and light breezes from S.E. steering by the wind, ship heading E.N.E. middle part almost a dead calm at 3 A.M. a light breeze springs up from the Northward steering S.E. after part fine weather and a good breeze course the same, nothing in sight these 24 hours

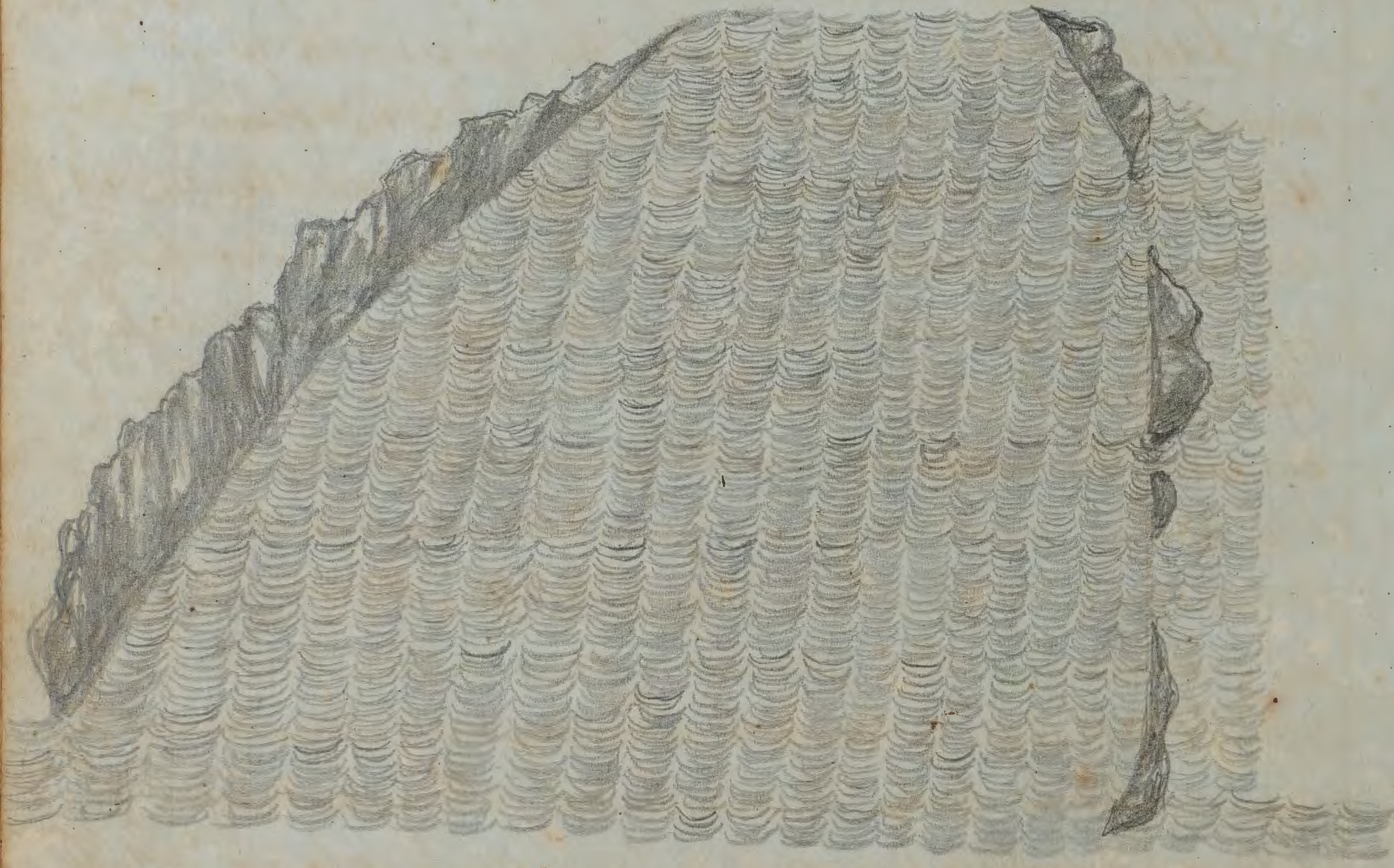
Lat. by Obs. 61.38 N.
Long. " Chron 175.32 W.

Monday July 5th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Northward steering S. by E. directing our course toward Gores or St. Matthews Island where we saw plenty of whales in July last in hopes of being able to find them there again this season, during the afternoon saw one humpbacks middle part fresh breezes from the Northward course the same at 3 A.M. altered her course to N.E. after part wind and course the same

Lat. by Double Alts. 61.04 N
Long. " Chron. 174.16 W

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Tuesday July 6th Begins with thick cloudy weather and strong breezes from N.W. heading up N.E. by N. and N.N.E. nothing in sight having come directly across the ground where we expected to find whales without seeing any thing at 7 P.M. thick fog middle part wind and course the same, at an early hour the fog lifts up and clears away the wind also hauls more to the Westward the ship heading N. ½ E at 9 A.M raised the land on the weather bow 45 miles off being the West end of St Lawrence island, after part heading to the land



View of the large bay on the South side of St Lawrence island the West end bearing N.N.W 30 miles distant

The ice was entirely gone from the island and but little snow was visible except in the crevices of the mountains

Lat. by Obs. 62.48 N
Long. " Chron 171.19 W

Wednesday July 7th Begins with fine weather and strong breezes from W. N. W. heading N. ½ E. off the mouth of the bay, at 3 P. M. tacked ship heading S. W. by W. at 10 P. M. wind hauled to W. S. W. tacked ship heading N. W. remainder of the day occasional fog squalls also raised the land on the opposite side of the straits

Lat. by Ob. 63.28 N.
Long. Chron 172.57 W

Thursday July 8th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from W. S. W. heading N. W. by W. standing across toward the land at the entrance of the straits, saw a whale spout about a mile off could not tell what he was, lowered 1st and 2d boats but could not strike. Also spoke the Hansa of Bremen three whales this season, she reported 35 or 40 sail at Cape Thaddeus averaging from 5 to 10 whales each, the Ocean 10 Anadir 6 the Alice Mendall 5 stinkers, she also saw a ship burn up and sink off the Cape but did not know her name, nor where she belonged, at 10 P. M. spoke the Rhone of Sydney two whales this season, she had been set on fire in Hongkong by 2 of of the crew who are now in prison awaiting their trial one of them deserted from us in Oahu, she reported the Citizen 9 whales middle part thick fog after part fog continues wind hauled to S. S. W. the ship heading W ½ N. spoke the Cherokee one whale this season

Lat. by Ob. 63.53 N.
Long. Acct 174.15 W

Friday July 9th Begins with thick weather wind S. S. W. heading W. during the afternoon lighted up a little, no whales but california greys in sight she reported the ship Sea with 15 whales we have not yet been able to ascertain the name of the burnt ship. There are also flying reports of the loss of two more ships, but as it does not come in any reliable form we withhold the names for the present, middle part wind the same and foggy, at 5 A.M lights up a little saw the Cherokee, also ran another bark boiling, after part thick fog standing off the land

Lat. by Acct 63.43 N
Long. " Do. 174.40 W

Sat. Friday July 10th Begin with a thick fog and light airs from S. W. heading S. E. by S at 5 P. M. tacked ship heading W. by N. middle part light winds from the same quarter with fog, after part wore ship heading to the Southward

Lat. by Double Alts. 63.33 N
Long. " Chron 174.13 W

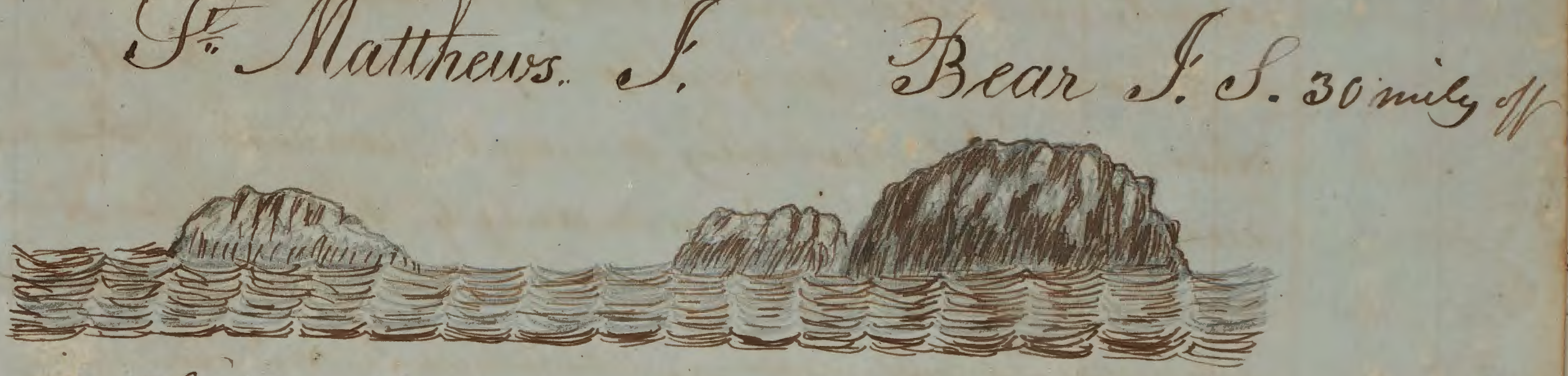
Sunday July 11th Begins with fresh breezes from W. S. W. and a thick fog steering S. S. E. directing our course again toward St. Matthews island middle part wind the same and growing lighter, at an early hour the fog clears up beautifully and the wind becoming light, after part fine weather wind and course the same

Lat. by Obs. 61.29 N
Long. " Chron 172.47 W.

Monday July 12th Begins with fine weather and light airs from S. W. heading S. E. by S. Bear island in sight from off deck 3 points on our weather bow 50 miles distant

1852 Off the Island of St. Matthews

At 5 P.M. the wind hauls to S.E. tacked ship heading S.S.W.


St. Matthews. I.
Bear I. S. 30 miles off

Bear Island a small yland very high and 5 miles distant from St. Matthews has no name on the chart, and is called Bear I. by the whaling fleet on account of the large white polar bears which are very numerous there two of which we captured here last season, middle part wind freshens and hauls to E.S.E. with fog and rain steering S.W. at 3 P.M. kept her up S.S.W raised two sail, one of them proved to be the Seine 4 whales this season, the other was the Dromo of New London oil not known also heard the name of the ship burnt a short time since at Cape Thaddeus it was the Warren of Warren Captn. Heath, the fire took in the run among the coal supposed to be caused by spontaneous combustion, remaind of the day half a gale of wind from E.S.E. with rain and fog

Lat. by Acct. 60.. N.
Long. " Do. 175..05 W

Tuesday July 13th Begins with half a gale of wind from E.S.E. with fog and rain the ship laying with main yard aback. At 2 P.M. double reefed the topsails and braced forward heading S. by W. middle and after parts thick fog and rugged weather

Lat. by Acct 59.10 N
Long. " Do. 176.. W

Wednesday July 14th Begins with a thick fog and rugged weather from S.E. heading S.S.W. wore ship heading to the Eastward weather also moderates made sail at 6 P.M. the fog lights up saw a ship also raised whales on our weather beam middle part wind hauls to the Westward heading N.W. by N. at an early hour the fog shuts in again, remainder of the day, thick fog wind and course the same, about meridian lights up for a few minutes

Lat. by Obs 61.20 N
Long. " Chron 175.1 W

Thursday July 15th Begins with a thick fog and moderate breezes from the Westward steering N.W. by N. at 3 P.M. lights up a little while saw a ship two points on our weather bow heading as we were in half an hour thick fog again, middle part wind hauls to the Eastward and freshens steering W. by S. at 7 A.M. passed a ship standing to the Northward, remainder of the day half a gale of wind from the Eastward with rain and fog, course the same double reefed the foretopsail and furled mainsail and mizen topsail

Lat. by Acct 62.00 N
Long. " Chron 179.50 W

Friday July 16th Begins with half a gale of wind from the Eastward steering W. by S at 1 P.M altered her course to W. raining hard and foggy double reefed the maintopsail at 6 P.M. luffed up to the wind heading N.½ E middle part thick fog wind the same and moderating a little after part wind hauls to

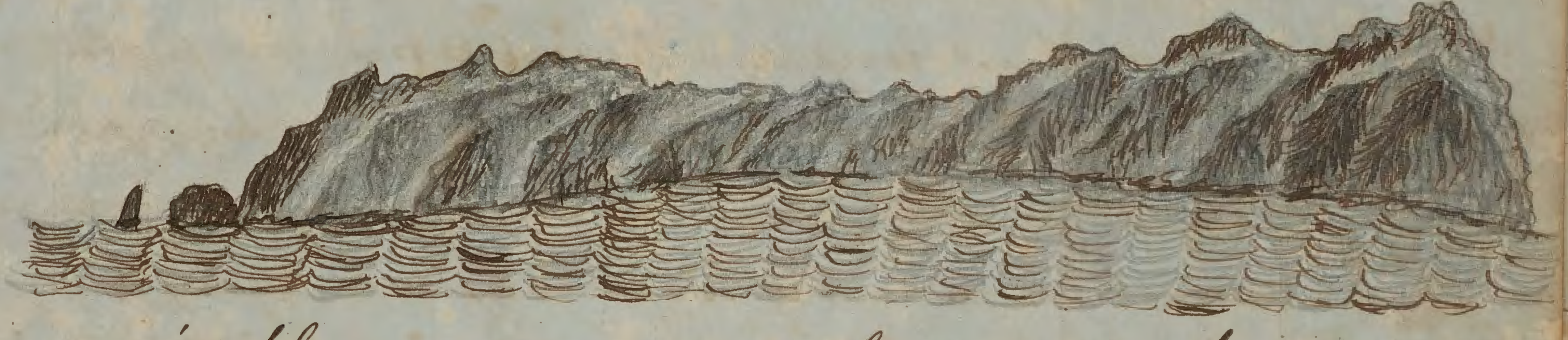
1852 Off Cape St. Thaddeus

N. steering also begins to freshen up, at 11 A.M the fog lights up, saw the land directly ahead 15 miles off, remainder of the day good weather

Lat. by Obs. 62"34 N.
Long. " Chron 179"50 E

Saturday July 17th Begins with light airs from the Northward steering in toward the land at 1 P.M. wore around head off shore, during the afternoon dies away almost to a calm, raised two sail at 4 P.M. a light air springs up from the Southward kept her off N. by E.

Cape St. Thaddeus bearing N.N.W. 20 miles



middle part moderate breeze from the Westward course the same, after part wind freshens from the same quarter steering N.W. by N. running along the western shore of the Anadir Sea with fine weather

Lat. by Obs. 63"30 N.
Long. " Acct. 179.30 E.

Sunday July 18th Begins with beautiful weather and fresh breeze from the Westward steering N.E. to keep off the land as we found here a strong current setting to the Southward at 2 P.M. raised a bow head close to, the mate lowered for him, but could not get near him also saw two ships, at 6 P.M. spoke them when they proved to be the Republic of Bremen and the Menkar of New Bedford, the Menkar had 5 whales taken off Cape Thaddeus, she is 11 months out

1852

Off the Sea of Anadir

The Republic had taken 6 whales one of them a dead one, they reported the fleet here some 40 or 50 ships had done as follows. one third averaging 10 whales, another third 5 whales and the balance nothing. The Menkar had been at Bear island, where last season we had a desperate encounter with some large white polar bears and succeeded in killing two of them which we took to the ship. They also had a brush with the bears, which instead of a comedy came very near terminating in a tragedy; Captn. Pease with a boats crew proceeded toward the island, upon nearing it they discovered a huge fellow with his long shaggy white coat slow descending an almost perpendicular declivity the descent was so steep, he was compelled to come down sternforemost, letting himself down carefully and gradually, and ever and anon some fragment of rock loosened by his great weight, would come ~~down~~ crashing down the precipice with a thundering noise falling into the water with a terrible splash, but Bruin firmly kept his hold, descending slowly like an old settler inured to this mode of travelling. The Captain pulled up to a convenient distance, and being provided with a double barrelled piece, deliberately gave him the contents of one barrel, which took effect on his shoulder blade. This sudden and unexpected salute from behind brought the bear to a dead halt, when turning his head, he began to reconnoitre his opponent which not exactly relishing, and deeming discretion the better part of valor, he began to ascend causing a shower of fragments of rock to tumble about in every direction, in his accelerated motion, a stop however was put to his further progreſs by a ball from the second barrel which broke his leg, and brought him rolling over and over down the cliff, he however recovered himself. and gaining a cavity stood at bay. The boat then struck the shore and one of the crew taking a lance proceeded to despatch him, when within a few yards of him, the bear rallied and sprang at him from three legs, a distance of 10 or 12 feet just miſsing him, when the seaman plunged the lance into his vitals causing his death, had the bear succeeded in striking him fairly with his paw, so unwieldy is it and so long the claws he would have torn his bowels out in an instant This species of bear do not like the black ~~the~~ bear grapple with their victim and squeeze him to death in their rugged embrace but strike with their fore paws, and far better would it be for a man to receive a blow from a club hammer than from their huge paw The mate with another boats crew including the captains ~~son~~ brother a lad of about 17 years of age landed on the island a short distance from where the foregoing scene was enacting, and were very near, being the sad spectators of seeing one of their own number torn to pieces by one of these enraged monsters. After landing they had gone but a few paces before they saw four or five bears upon an eminence some sitting on their haunches, some laying down and altho' armed only with a lance and harpoon they walked up to them as unconcerned as if they were examining some fat cattle, the bears not taking the least notice of them. Among them was an old she one with a young cub weighing about 300 pounds, and without any further ceremony they plunged the lance into the cub, In an instant the infuriated parent, become desperate by this unprovoked attack on her offspring rushed upon the nearest of his aggressors which proved to be the Captains brother who was compelled to run for his life, being unarmed, the bear in hot pursuit and she in turn pursued by the mate and the balance of the boats crew, with out a single fire arm among them (an unpardonable oversight when going on such an expedition) the remainder of the bears remained silent spectators of the scene, apparently unwilling to take any part in the matter, Onward and onward sped the pursued and the pursuer, every nerve and muscle strained to its utmost tension, the one flying for life and all that was near and dear to him, knowing that one false step would subject him to the most horrible death the imagination can well conceive of, that of being torn to pieces by wild beasts, the hot steam from the panting nostrils of the blood thirsty animal fanning his neck and exciting him to superhuman exertions the ~~beast~~ other ~~other~~ pursuing to take life to glut ~~his~~ revenge in the hearts blood of the unfortunate youth a huge bear with distended jaws and blood shot eyes ready to burst from their sockets maddened by the loss of her young advancing rapidly with giant strides to consummate her vengeance, on they flew rapidly neither party gaining on the other, so near was the bear that several times she stopped and squatting on her haunches, with uplifted paw endeavored to strike the fatal blow and the sudden check in her motion gave young Pease an opportunity to gain a footstep and escape the blow when she would again dash on after him. Their course now led them toward the brink of a precipice some 60 feet in height, and as they verged toward it the Mate still pursuing the bear ~~young man~~ caught sight of ~~his brother in his~~ a boat, when with a cry of dispair he called upon ~~him~~ the Captain to fire, but so horror stricken was he at the awful spectacle before him that it bewildered him, in fact a man's nerves must have been strung with iron who could have taken deliberate aim on the instant. The next minute they were on the brink of the precipice, the youth halted for a second, as if to collect his scattered thoughts when the bear again struck stripping the shirt from off his back and lacerating his back cruelly the wounds of which tho not dangerous are still unhealed, the bear was a few inches too far off Another second beheld them both in the air poised between time and eternity, both had taken the leap, and sprung from the precipice some 25 or 30 feet down; a shelving rock jutted out ~~from the precipice~~ upon which Pease landed safe and unharmed saving a few slight contusions whilst the bear went over him and struck the water beneath, upon emerging from which her eye rested on the boat which she attacked and was instantly killed, the boat belonged to a Dutch ship cruising there also for the purpose of whaling. The mate retraced his steps and seeing the bears again fastened to one of them in the rump and called out to his crew to haul line, which they did the bear hauling one way and they the other the iron tore out, and Bruin escaped, Depend upon it if such wanton carelessness is used in these bear excursions the season will not pass away without a melancholy record of the loss of life, The young man after shaking the snow off him succeeded in getting down the cliff and was taken into the boat. During the night two more ships were seen astern standing to the Westward, remainder of the day mostly calm with fog and rain

Lat. by Acct 63"50 N
Long. " Do 179"55 E

Monday July 19th Begins with a calm and a rain storm 3 ships in sight at 5 P.M clear up beautifully, middle part a breeze springs up from S.W. steering to the Northward at 3 A.M. raised a bow head, lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats and shortly after the 4th boat, the whale was going too fast and the boats were called on board, at 6 A.M. saw 6 or 7 more whales lowered again 1st 2nd and 3rd boats 5 ships in sight, plenty of whales now in sight but very shy, appearing as tho' they had just come on the ground and were feeding, after a great deal of chasing the 3rd mate struck one just as he was turning flukes and succeeded in putting one iron into him, the whale sounded to the bottom and in rolling broke the iron, the boats then came on board at 11 A.M. for breakfast, having seen at least 50 whales, also saw one ship cutting and another boiling

Lat. by Obs. 64"20 N
Long. " Chron 179"18 W.

Tuesday July 20th Begins with fine weather and fresh breezes from the Southward plenty of whales in sight, lowered all four boats, after some hard pulling as it was quite rugged, the mate went on a large whale and the boatsteerer put both irons solid into him the boat was going very fast and run over him, throwing the line out of the "chocks" and fouling it, and the boatsteerer cut it through mistake, intending to cut the sheet warp, and we lost the whale a very large one; the boats then came on board, At 6 P.M. humpbacks in sight but no bow heads having been running in among them and through them for 12 hours, middle part moderate breeze from the Northward Westward beating to windward, saw a bow head the 2nd mate lowered, but it coming on dark for about 20 minutes all the night we have here at present lost the run of him, after part nearly a dead calm

Lat. by Obs. 64"30 N.
Long. " Chron 179"17 W

Wednesday July 21st Begins with a calm spoke the Waverly three bowheads this season and one grampus making 25 barrels at 3 P.M. a light breeze springs up from the Eastward heading N. at 11 P.M. had beat the Waverly out of sight, middle part half a gale of wind from the S.E. double reefed the topsails at an early hour made the land on our lee quarter, bow and weather bow, the land on our quarter being the long low, narrow strip of land across the gulf of the Holy Cross the other the main land about 15 miles distant, we were up in the N.W. end of the Sea of Anadir in the bite, at 6 A.M. tacked ship heading S.S.W. remainder of the day rain and fog, saw a number of rip seals and one ship supposed the Waverly

Lat. by Acct 64"45 N
Long. " Chron 176"30 W.

Thursday July 22nd Begins with half a gale of wind from S.E. and a rugged sea shook the reefs out of the topsails, the weather moderating a little ship heading S.S.W. middle part almost calm

At 6 A. M. a light breeze springs up from N. W. steering S. E. two ships in sight. and a bark boiling also saw the land and several humpbacks remainder of the day fine weather

Lat. by. Obs. 64"50 N
Long. " Chron 177"50 W

Friday July 23rd Begins with beautiful weather and light winds from the Westward steering S. E. set lower and foretopmast studding sails. the wind also keeps hauling to the S. and the fog sets in thick kept her E. S. E. at 6 P. M. took in the studding sails, wind out from the Southward. middle part wind growing lighter course the same plenty of carcases in sight, after part calm 10 ships in sight not one either boiling or cutting

Lat. by Obs. 64"41 N
Long. " Chron 175"35 W

Saturday July 24th Begins with a calm 11 ships in sight, carcases still floating about in every direction. the land about 20 miles distant some ships pretty handy to it, who have been scratching all day to get off from it, taking advantage of every little cats paw, middle part light airs from S. E. heading off shore At 2 A. M. a boat with 9 natives came off upon nearing the ship a little lad hailed us asking if we were American on being told we were he enquired if they could come on board on being answered in the affirmation, they came alongside and were soon on deck. Their boat was a small frame work covered with seal skin, their dress consisted of moccasins of trousers fitting them well and frock all of deer skins together with a cap of the same material each man was provided with a knife. Their arms consisted of slings with which they are very expert and bows and arrows. they were also provided with whaling gear lances with which they fasten to him to each lance is attached some 20 fathoms of deer skin thong. at the end of this is affixed a seal skin inflated with air the ends being securely tied to prevent the escape of the air after throwing several of these lances with their buoys into the whale he is unable to take them under, and being compelled to remain on the surface soon becomes an easy prey to them. The little fellow was a very intelligent lad and spoke the English language quite fluently and when he became acquainted with it is a mystery to us. Their antipathy this season is also remarkable against an Englishman, they will not board one of their vessels nor hold any intercourse with them which we can not account for. After remaining with us a couple of hours and taking some refreshment they departed remainder of the day cloudy and light winds from S.S.E heading E.

Lat. by Acct 64..30 N
Long.. Chron 175.. " W

Sunday July 25th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from S.S.E. heading S.W. spoke the Mary Ann of Fairhaven 7½ whales this season 1300 altogether, heard from the Nassau 18 whales Orozimbo 12, Enterprize 10 Jefferson of Sagharbor 15, Lydia of Fairhaven 11. the Seal 9 at 8 P.M raised a bowhead lowered all the boats but could not strike at 7 P.M. saw 2 whales lowered the boats again but the fog coming in lost the run of him

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1852 In the Sea of Anadir

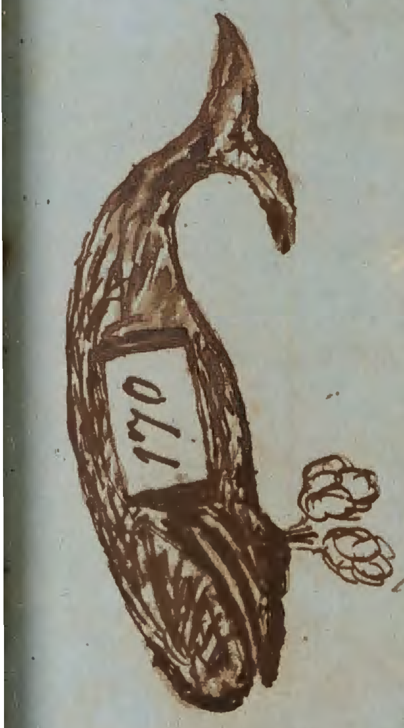
Monday July 26th Begins with light airs from S.E. raised whales lowered all the boats and chased until 9 P.M. 6 ships in sight and all had their boats down the whales were very plenty and shy the instant an oar or paddle would strike the water they would hear it, the water also was as smooth as a mill pond, had there been any kind of a breeze on in all probability we would have taken one or two, middle part wind the same at 7 A.M tacked ship heading to the Westward with a thick fog toward noon begins to light up a little

Lat. by Obs. 63.53 N.
Long. " Acct. 175.20 W

Tuesday July 27th Begins with moderate breeze from the Southward heading to the Westward the fog rising fast, saw 8 ships also raised whales lowered all the boats, three of the ships fastened in sight of us. one the Vineyard of Edgartown, making her 4 whales this season After considerable pulling the 2nd mate went on, his boatsteerer put in one iron solid and in darting the second iron cut the strap of the ~~second~~ first, so that when the whale straightened out the line after taking out a tub of line it parted like a piece of pack thread and we lost him, being the third in succession a thick fog then set in. the boats were hoisted up and we stood on heading to the Westward middle part thick fog wore ship at 11 P.M heading to the Eastward at 6 A.M the fog lights up a little raised two whales the 2nd mate lowered the fog set in and he came on board, after breakfast 1st and 2nd boats lowered again and were soon lost in the fog for about 3 hours when it lit up, more whales were seen and the other two boats lowered, remainder of the day the boats chasing

Lat. by Obs. 63.51 N
Long. " Chro 174.15 W

Wednesday July 28th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from the Southward the boats chasing, a number of whales in sight 1/2 past 12 the 3rd mate fastened and his boatsteerer killed the whale with his iron a 200 barrel whale, 4 ships in sight all whaling at 2.30 had him alongside, the fog setting in thick at 4 P.M. commenced cutting and finished at 8.30, the head measured 18 feet with 600 slabs of bone. At 8 P.M. spoke the Brooklin of New London 12 whales this season, she reported the loss of the Superior of the former place seven days ago upon the island at the head of this sea, double reefed fore and mizen topsails and wore ship heading S. by E. wind freshening from the Eastward with thick fog middle part weather the same, at 5 A.M. saw two bowheads in the fog, at 8 A.M. started the works remainder of the day thick fog



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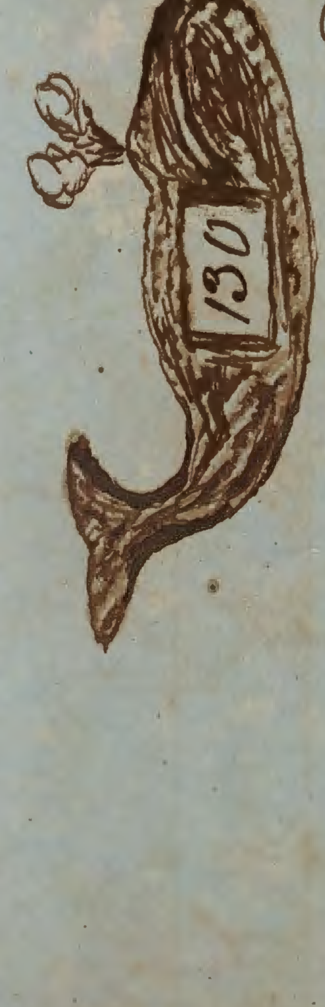
Thursday July 29th Begins with thick fog and light winds from S.E heading ~~heading~~ E.N.E. at 4 wore ship steering W.N.W. the watch employed in boiling, at 7.30 P.M. saw whales close to the fog lighting up a little, immediately lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, in a short time the mate fastened and his boatsteerer killed him with his iron, and in 30 minutes he turned up in sight of the ship the whole time altho very foggy, at 9 had



him alongside, at 9.30 commenced cutting and finished at 1.40 A.M. the wind out from N.E. remainder of the day employed in boiling. the ship under double reefed topsails with main yard aback, the wind fresh from N.E. with fog and rain

Lat. by Obs. 63.47 N.
Long. " Acct. 173.15 W

Friday July 30th. Begins with rugged weather and fresh breezes from N.E. the ship heading N.W. with fog and rain, the crew employed in boiling and stowing down in the after hatch. at 5 P.M. spoke the Albion 7 whales this season three of them stinkers. middle part weather the same at 11 P.M wore ship head to the S.E. at 5 A.M. spoke the California of New Bedford 7 whales this season and from the looks of her waist she also had been among the stinkers. We have heard of the loss of another ship, name not yet known. whilst some of the ships were wrecking the Superior, a canoe loaded with natives came on board of them and made motions that a ship was on shore at Cape Michigan, they had one of her trysails in the canoe, this cape is directly opposite where the Superior went ashore 28 miles distant. at 7 wore ship and braced forward steering N.W. crew employed in boiling and stowing down in the after hatch, we have seen one bowhead these 24 hours

Lat. by Acct 63.58 N
Long. " D: 173.55 W

Saturday July 31st. Begins with a thick fog and moderate winds from the

Eastward, the ship heading N. and laying with the main yard aback the crew employed in boiling and stowing down, middle part the same after part raised a whale lowered 1st and 2nd boats but the fog was too thick did not see him again, remainder of the day boiling and stowing down at 11.30 A.M. the fog begins to clear up a little

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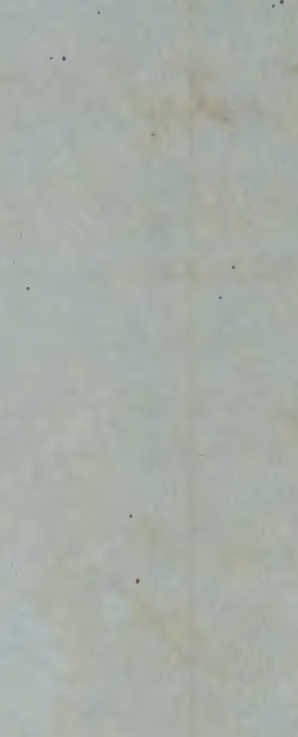

Sunday August 1st The fog lights up saw 8 ships and plenty of bow heads lowered all the boats, the whales were very shy altho numerous, the mate finally struck a very large cow and his boatsteerer killed her with his iron, saw one other ship take a whale astern of us, at 5 P.M. had him alongside at 5.48 P.M. commenced cutting in, the fog setting in thick and finished at 10.50 P.M. having been ½ an hour at supper during the time middle part wind out from the S.E. braced forward head to the Northward at an early hour the fog begins to light up, seven ships in sight, remainder of the day boiling and stowing down, nearly a calm two bow heads in sight

Lat. by Acct 64.03 N.
Long. " D° 173.10 W

Monday August 2nd Begins with good weather and a calm the California and Albion about 3 miles distant, with boats down saw one bow head, the crew employed in boiling and stowing down in the after hatch, neither of the above ships had taken any thing since last spoken, middle part fog sets in thick and light airs from the South after part the fog continues. the crew employed in boiling and stowing down finished the after hatch and stowed it off

Lat by Acct 62.25 N
Long. " Do 170.50 W

Tuesday August 3rd Begins with a thick fog and light airs from S.W. steering W.N.W. at 1 P.M. the fog lights up found ourselves in the Straits. the current sweeping us along to the Arctic, also saw two ships, the crew employed in boiling and stowing down in the fore hatch middle part the same, after part the fog clears up and the weather becomes beautiful boiling and stowing down in the fore hatch.

Lat. by Obs. 64.58 N
Long. " Chro 172.11 W

Wednesday August 4th Begins with a calm and a warm pleasant day two ships in sight and plenty of humpbacks and california greys finished boiling at 4 P.M. our 3 whales making us 500 barrels of oil the last one stowing down over 200 barrels, employed in stowing down in the ~~aft~~ fore hatch, middle part a light breeze springs up from the Northward kept her S.S.E after part wind hauls to N.E. heading N.W the crew employed in stowing down in the fore hold the fog setting in thick.

Lat. by Acct 65.25 N
Long. " Do 171.30 W

Thursday August 5th Begins with a thick fog and light airs from N.W. heading N.N.E the crew employed in stowing down in the fore hatch. middle part thick fog wind the same. hauled aback the main yard at 6 A.M the fog begins to light up braced forward and stood on, remainder of the day the fog gradually rising this forenoon stowed down the balance of our oil

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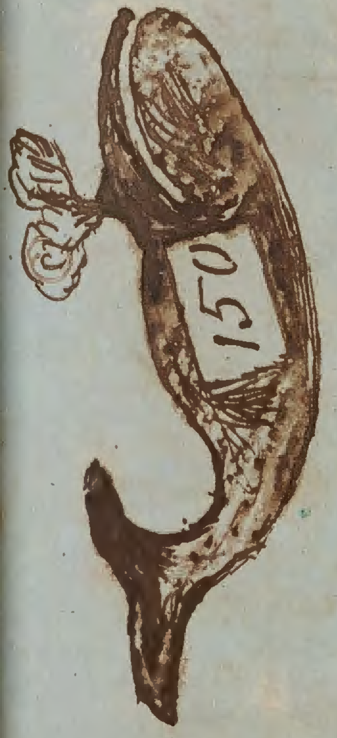

Friday August 6th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from N.E. heading N.W. by N. whilst at dinner, the man at the mast head called out for bowheads, the straits were alive with whales, humpbacks, ripsacks, black whales and bowheads mixed up with them lowered all the boats, but the whales had just come in the straits and were very shy, at 6 the boats were called on board being unable to get on, at 7 P.M the watch was set. In half an hour seen a number of bowheads. the 2nd and 4th mates having the watch on deck lowered their boats and in a short time the 2nd mate struck, the whale immediately started and run with the speed of a race horse about 10 miles, the 4th mate and his crew straining their utmost to come up to him which he finally accomplished and fastened. the 2nd mate then killed him, at ½ past 10 P.M. we had him securely alongside with the fluke chain on a 150 barrel whale, the larboard watch below sound asleep totally ignorant of what was doing on deck middle part fine weather laying by our whale at 2 A.M. the Captain of the bark Louisa came on board to procure a try pot, his having cracked which we supplied him with, at an early hour commenced cutting and finished at 7.30 A.M remainder of the day fine weather

Lat. by Ob. 64.57 N.
Long. " Acct. 171.20 W

1852 In Bherings Straits

Saturday August 7th Begins with good weather and light winds from N.E. ship heading E.S.E. seen two bowheads the 1st and 4th mates lowered but a thick fog setting in gave up the chase. During the afternoon scraped the bone, at 6 P.M. started the works. the ship laying with main yard aback head to the Northward, middle part the fog still continuing. the ship heading the same, passed a ship boiling. within two lengths of her, she was also laying with her main yard aback after part the same the watch employed in boiling

Lat. by Acct. 65.10 N
Long. " Do 171.30 W

Sunday August 8th Begins with a light breath of air from E.S.E. the ship laying with main yard aback heading N.E. the fog about as thick as it can be conveniently middle and after parts the same the fog still continuing thick the watch employed in boiling, heard plenty of whales blowing near to us in the fog but could not see them

Lat. by Acct 65.50 N
Long. " Do 169.40 W

Monday August 9th Begins with a thick fog and light airs from N.E. the ship heading N.W. by N. and laying with main yard aback, at 2 P.M. finished boiling and commenced cooling down, also heard whales lowered 1st 2nd and 3d boats, when they proved to be ripsacks, also saw the Diomede islands on our weather beam and Cape East in the Arctic Ocean directly ahead about 20 miles distant. braced forward and stood on, middle part fog continues, after part the same the crew employed in stowing down spoke the Albion nothing since we saw her last.

Lat. by Acct. 66.10 N
Long. " D° 169.00 W

Tuesday August 10th Begins with foggy weather in half an hour clears up beautifully, warm, pleasant weather, light airs from the Northward, the ship heading to the Westward, We are now fairly in the Polar Sea, with our lower hold full in hopes of falling in with whales once more in this ocean and getting one good cut when we will leave contented, one whale more making us a full ship including what we have sent home middle part foggy and calm, after part fine weather the watch employed in stowing down the balance of our oil between decks

Lat. by Obs. 66.32 N.
Long. Acct 170.15 W

Wednesday August 11th Begins with beautiful weather and moderate breezes from N.W. heading W.S.W. standing in toward the western shore of the Arctic Ocean, at 2 P.M a thick fog sets in, at 4 clears up again plenty of seal, walrus and california greys in sight but no bow heads middle part fog squally, after part fresh breezes from S.E running along the western shore, the land appears to be almost entirely destitute of snow a little still lingers in the crevices of the mountains, at 11 A.M raised three bow heads lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, whilst they were chasing saw 4 more

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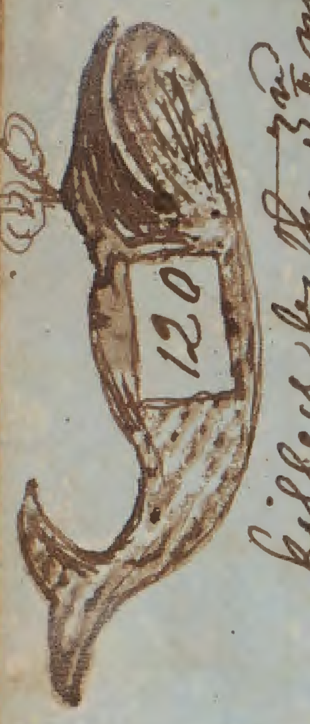
1852 In the Arctic Ocean



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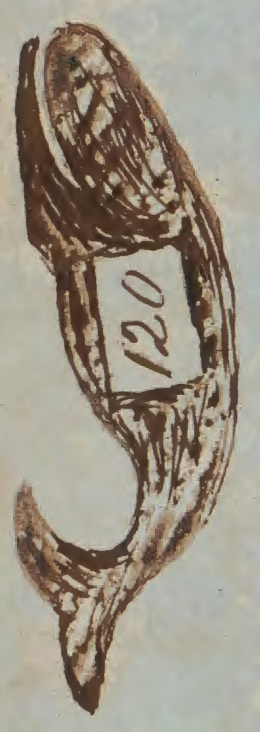


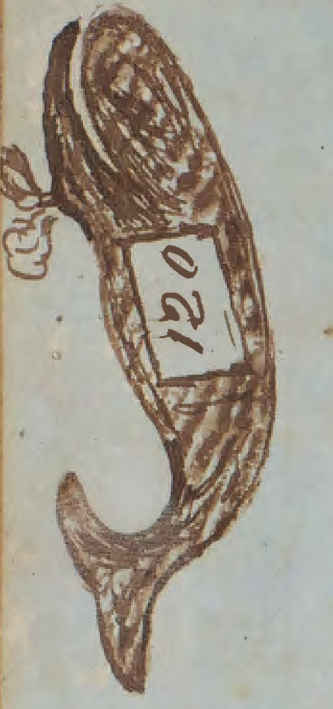
Thursday August 12th Begins with cloudy weather and fresh breeze from S.E. the boats chasing whales, the cooper employed in setting up pipes. At 2 P.M. the mate fastened and at 4 P.M. we had him alongside when all hands went to dinner, at 4.30 began to cut in, just as we commenced a dead whale was discovered about 2 miles distant apparently not over 12 hours dead, two boats were immediately despatched to secure him and tow to the ship, the balance of the crew then hove in the first whale in three hours by the watch, when we made sail and stood with the ship for the other boats and whale, at 9 P.M. had him alongside and 9.40 commenced cutting. 4 ships in sight running down towards us. This is a glorious afternoons work at least 250 barrels of oil in seven hours, and we can cheerfully say "all hail to the Arctic". Soon after we commenced cutting it set in a drizzling rain we however persevered and finished in 3 hours and 12 minutes. when we had supper and at half past 1 A.M. the watch went below at 2 A.M. spoke the Ontario of Sagharbor 5 whales this season, after part thick fog the ship laying with her main yard aback heading N. by E. wind N.W. the watch employ- in boiling. We are now so far advanced to the North, that our compasses will not traverse, and we are compelled to shake them every little while to make them move at all there is also a strong current here setting to the northward which is constantly increasing in velocity as we proceed toward the pole The western shore is inhabited. clusters of huts being scattered along its bleak, inhospitable shores as far up as 70° North: the location of the North Pole, according to the experiments of the different exploring expeditions in search of the N. W. passage. the current here however we do not think extends 30 miles from land. as we found ourselves at noon about 50 miles from land and had not been currented at all

Lat. by Ob. 67"28 N.
No current these 24 hours | Long. " Chron 171.25 W

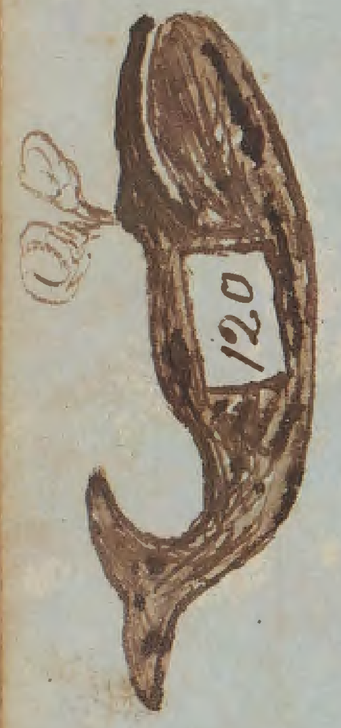
Friday August 13th Begins with foggy weather and light breezes from N. W. the ship heading N. N. E. and laying with main yard aback, the crew employed in boiling and setting up pipes. At 4 P. M. lights up for a short time, saw 4 ships two of them boiling also braced forward and wore ship heading S. W. by W. middle part occasional fog squalls. saw a whale the mate lowered and just as his boatsteerer stood up the whale settled, at an early saw upwards of 20 ships 14 of them boiling 2 cutting and the others whaling, after part mild clear, beautiful weather, and whales in sight lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, did not strike at 9 the boats were called to the ship a light breeze on from the Eastward. the ship running for more whales in sight from mast head. in half an hour they lowered again. remainder of the day employed in boiling

Lat. by Ob. 67"36 N.
No current these 24 hours | Long. " Chron. 170"58 W

Saturday August 14th Begins with fine weather and light breezes from the Eastward. plenty of whales in sight, and boats chasing in every direction, each chasing their own whales



it was the handsomest whaling we ever saw columns of smoke rising in every direction from ships boiling, and each of them with two or three boats down in pursuit, with whales enough for all of them without interfering with each other, in half an hour the mate struck signalized the other two boats to proceed to the fast boat, the whale was killed by the boatsteerer, his iron drawing the first blood. at 2 P.M. had the whale alongside cut him in, in 3 hours 40 minutes, a thick fog having set in with the wind S.E. at 8 P.M. wore ship heading S.W. and lay with main yard aback., also started the works again, middle part boiling at an early hour saw plenty of whales. the 2nd mate lowered but did not succeed in fastening, after breakfast. 2nd and 3rd boats lowered, the 3rd mate struck and killed his whale, whilst the boats were fast and the whale spouting blood, saw 3 dead whales good ones, but as we had a deck load of oil a blubber room half full, and a whale almost turned up, we left them for the poor and needy, 4 weeks ago there is not a man in the ship, but would have died at his oar, rather than the boats of any other ship should pass him to get one of those same whales, thus it is through life, in prosperity we pass the very thing with head erect, which in adversity we would receive with gratitude as one of the choicest boons of providence, remainder of the day the crew employed in boiling and the boats fast



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Long. " Chron 171" 9 W

No current

Sunday August 15th Begins with fine weather and light airs from the Southward, engaged in boiling in half an hour had our whale alongside. 28 ships in sight most of them whaling a few boiling, cut in our whale in 3 hours 12 minutes and began to stow down in the after hatch at 6 P.M. wore ship heading S.S.W. wind S.E. plenty of whales in sight, middle part laying with main yard aback, after part 27 ships in sight a few of them boiling saw several bowheads did not lower, spoke one of the boats belonging to the Two Brothers. they reported that ship with 11 whales the Lydia 11. the Niagara 19. the Montezum 18, the Sea with all sail in blubber logged the large Florida with one bowhead and one ripsacks, the crew employed during the day in boiling and stowing down in the after hatch

Current setting N.W these 24 hours 3/4 of a knot
Lat. by Obs 67.51 N.
Long. " Chron 171.50 W.

Monday August 16th Begins with fine weather and plenty of ships in sight wind from the Southward and light ship heading W. the crew employed in boiling and stowing down at 1 P.M. braced forward and stood on to the Westward, this afternoon. stowed off the after hatch between decks, saw 7 or 8 bowheads, at 6 P.M. thick fog hauled aback the main yard the ship heading N.W. middle part wind keeps hauling to N.N.E. ship heading E when a moderate norther sets in, the watch employed in boiling, after part blowing fresh and rugged weather double reefed the topsails also started bread, as we began to be jammed for casks spoke the America of New Bedford did not ascertain what she had

No current
Lat. by Obs. 67.55 N.
Long. " Chron. 171.00 W

Tuesday August 17th Begins with rugged weather and fresh breeze from N.N.E the ship heading E. and laying under double reefed topsails with main yard aback. the crew employed in boiling, setting up pipes starting provision and other duty. saw plenty of ships, all under easy sail waiting for better weather, none of them boiling or whaling, this afternoon saw two very large flocks of birds coming from the north and directing their course South, the first indication of winter, fall they have none here, middle part weather the same, after part cooled down and commenced stowing down in the main hatch, spoke the Bark Harvest of New Bedford 7 whales this season also the Ship America of do, 9 whales, she reported the Ocean 26 whales this season the Gideon Howland 17 the bark Arab 15. Chandler Price 11. Sea 9 Braganza 11. Orozimbo 12. Abraham Barker 7 remainder of the day moderating a little

Lat. by Obs 67"30 N
No current — Long. " Chron 171.14 W

Wednesday August 18th Begins with fresh breeze from the Northward and rugged weather, the ship laying with main yard aback head to the Eastward, 10 ships in sight the crew employed in stowing down in the main hatch, at 7 wore ship head to the Westward, middle part half a gale of wind from the Northward wore ship heading to the Eastward, after part the same. the crew employed in stowing down oil in the main hatch

Lat. by Obs 67"23 N
No current — Long. " Chron 171"26 W

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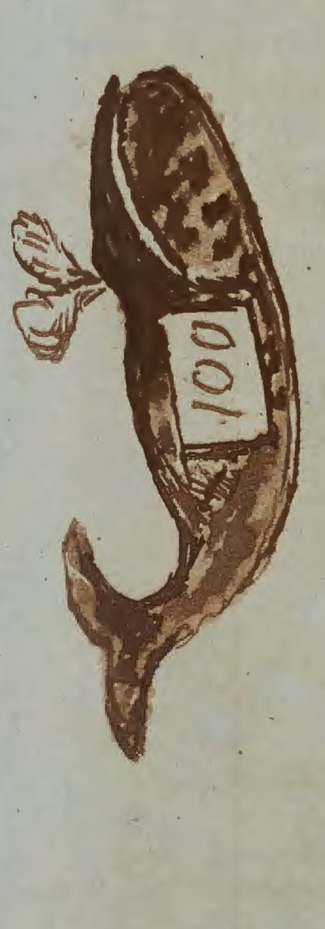
Thursday August 19th. Begins with half a gale of wind from N.N.W. ship heading N.E. and laying with main-yard aback under double reefed topsails, this afternoon finished stowing down our oil at 4 braced forward, with a rugged sea on 4 ships in sight, this afternoon run down about 70 barrels in one of our tanks, and found to our surprise it was leaking out in a stream, had to break out and draw off again, middle part weather no better, after part winds up with snow squalls, weather moderating a little and sea beginning to run down, the ship heading N.E.

Lat. by Obs. 67.17 N.
Long. " Acct 171.15 W

No current

Friday August 20th Begins with cold disagreeable weather and fresh breezes from N.N.W. the ship heading N.E. under easy sail, the watch employed in bailing out the tank and assisting the cooper, 28 ships in sight, plenty of walrus, a few ripsacks, but no bowheads the weather appearing as the winter was close at hand, middle part weather moderating after part saw plenty of whales and ships chasing in every direction shook the reefs out of the topsails also knocked down one of our tanks and shooked it at half past 10 A.M. the 1st and 2nd mates lowered in a short time the mate struck, the 3rd mate then lowered and killed the whale, remainder of the day boats fast and the whale spouting thick blood



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Long. " Chron 169.30 W

No current

Saturday August 21st. Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from N.W the ship heading N.E. by N. the whale nearly dead, at 1 P.M. had him alongside, after dinner commenced cutting and finished in 4 1/2 hours, having been detained by the parting of the guys &c. During the afternoon saw upwards of 30 ships and by 8 P.M. 11 of them had taken a whale, one of them had his whale sink after he had turned him up, when he let go his anchor in about 30 fathoms water alongside of him, apparently with a fixed determination to wait until he rose to the surface, if he stopped until the last day. At 7 P.M. braced forward and stood on heading N.E. by N. middle part wind light from the same quarter course the same, after part a dead calm and fine weather, started the works, upwards of 40 sail in sight and 9 boiling

Lat. by Obs. 67.31 N.
No current. Long. " Chron 168.30 W

Sunday August 22nd. Begins with fine weather and a calm the crew employed in boiling and setting up pipes, 46 ships in sight 10 boiling, during the afternoon a light breeze springs up from the Southward steering W. by N. at 8 P.M. saw bowheads 2nd and 4th mates lowered but did not succeed in striking, at 10 P.M. spoke the America one whale since we saw her last, at 3 A.M the 3rd mate lowered but did not fasten. at 4 the mate went down with no better success After breakfast the 1st and 3rd mates lowered. plenty of whales in sight and ships chasing all around us. in a short time the 3rd mate fastened to a large bull killed by the mate

remainder of the day fine weather with light breezes from S.E. the whale was taken alongside at 10¾ A.M. and we commenced cutting letting the fires cool down

Lat. by Obs. 67.45 N.
No current | Long. " Chron 169.1 W.

Monday August 23rd. Begins with fine weather and light winds from S.E. all hands employed in cutting finished at ½ past 3 P.M. plenty of whales in sight. double reefed the topsails the weather looking threatening and the wind breezing up, also wore ship and lay with main yard aback heading S. During the afternoon spoke the bark Newton 11 whales this season middle part fresh breezes from the same quarter after part moderate and fine weather ships chasing in every quarter lowered 1st and 3rd boats but did not strike the crew employed in boiling

Lat. by Obs. 67.46 N.
No current | Long. " Chron 170.07 W

Tuesday August 24th. Begins with fine weather and light winds from the Eastward laying with main yard aback, boiling plenty of ships and plenty of whales but very wild, so many boats among them, lowered 1st and 3rd boats but did not fasten saw 4 or 5 ships get a whale, spoke the Magnolia 12 whales this season and saw her take another, middle part fine weather boiling, after part the same a few whales in sight principally ripsacks, saw several ships cutting and a number boiling

Lat. by Obs. 68.01 N
No current | Long. " Chron 170.32 W

1852 In the Arctic Ocean

Wednesday August 25th Begins with fine pleasant weather and light airs from the Eastward steering S. saw two or three bowheads but did not lower for them as they were going fast during the afternoon cooled down the works having finished trying out our last whale and commenced coopering our oil preparatory to stowing down to morrow, spoke the Morea 11 whales, the little Liverpool 9 whales and the Albion 12 whales this season, they were all boiling, at 6 P. M. nearly calm and a light fog, it is now a complete indian summer and as fine weather as one would desire in any part of the world but cannot last long Middle part good weather, the ship laying with main yard aback head to the Southward at 4 A. M. saw two bowheads lowered 1st and 3rd boats but did not strike, remainder of the day the crew employed in stowing down oil between decks

Lat. by Obs. 67.46N
No current | Long. " Chron 171.12W

Thursday August 26th Begins with mild pleasant weather and light airs from the Eastward. the ship laying under double reefed topsails with main yard aback head to the Southward, the crew employed in stowing down oil, plenty of ships in sight but no whales middle part wore ship heading to the Northward with fogs after part steering W. N. W. wind N. E. and a thick fog, the crew employed in setting up pipes and stowing down the balance of our oil, but two ships in sight

Lat. by Acct 68.05N
No current | Long. " Do 171.50W

1852 In the Arctic Ocean

Friday August 27th Begins with a thick fog and fresh breezes from N. E. steering N. W. at 2 P. M the fog lights up two ships in sight, wore ship steering S. at 4 P. M. saw a bowhead but being rugged did not lower middle part half a gale of wind after part the same wore ship heading N. E

Lat. by Acct 68„15 N
Long. „ Do 171 . 30 W

Saturday August 28th Begins with thick cloudy weather and half a gale of wind from N. E. wore ship heading N. W. by W. and quite a rugged sea on, saw a number of ships, two of them boiling, during the afternoon begins to moderate a little, middle part the same, after part saw several ships two of them boiling, spoke the Anadir of New Bedford formerly the U. S. Sloop of War Erie, toward ~~the~~ noon the fog begins to light up

Lat. by Obs. 68„03 N
Long. „ Chron 172„44 W

Sunday August 29th Begins with moderate winds from the Northward, steering to the Eastward, at 5 P. M. wore ship head to the Westward, the weather constantly growing better and the sea running down, middle part the same, the Anadir spoken yesterday had 12 whales, 11 taken this season and 1 last season she had been all over the Arctic Ocean from Icy Cape on one side to Cape North on the other, and had been as far North as 71°„20′ when she encountered the ice and was in it for three days before she could extricate herself, and had not seen the spout of a whale also spoke the Abraham Barker wanting one whale to fill, also spoke the Margaret

Scott. one whale this season, she had taken two small sperm whales on her passage out remainder of the day, the weather hazy counted 20 ships from off deck, two of them boiling the ship steering S. E. wind from the Northward

Lat. by Acct 67.50 N
Long. " Do 171.– W

Monday August 30th Begins with light airs from the Northward steering S. E. any quantity of ships in sight during the afternoon saw one bowhead and 4 or 5 ships whaling, spoke the South Boston 18 whales this season making her only 1700 barrels middle part thick fog wind the same, after part fog lights up a little saw plenty of ships, and 2 bowheads lowered all four boats but could not strike

Lat. by Double Alts. 67.35 N
Long. " Chron 171.54 W

Tuesday August 31st Begins with foggy weather and light airs from N. W. heading to the Northward, at 2 P. M. fine pleasant weather 37 ships in sight, and a very few scattering bow heads in sight, with a host of boats chasing lowered our boats to keep them company, spoke the Waverly 6 whales, the Monongahela 13. this season, at 8 P. M. hoisted up our boats and it being calm hauled aback the main yard and let her lay, land in sight 30 miles distant bearing S. middle part a dead calm, after saw 8 large whales close to the ship lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, when a thick fog set in which prevented our striking, toward noon clears up beautifully

Lat. by Obs 67.46 N
Long. " Chron 172.20 W

Wednesday Sept^{r} 1st Begins with beautiful weather and light airs from the Northward standing to the Westward spoke the Republic of Bremen 9 whales this season also the Ontario of Sagharbor, they would not tell what they had she however looked deep. at 6.30 P.M. raised a bowhead, lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but could not overtake him, plenty of ships in sight two cutting, four boiling the remainder like ourselves doing nothing. at 8 P.M. hoisted up our boats and kept her off steering S.W. the wind N.E. and weather cloudy, the Bremen ship yesterday picked up a boat yesterday bottom-up, with nothing but the steering oar in her, from the looks of things she had been fast to a whale, and the line getting foul had carried the boat down with her crew, who in all probability met a watery grave, after part spoke the L. C. Richmond 12 whales this season, also saw the Ben Tucker boiling her eigth whale

Lat. by Ob. 67„48 N
Long. „ Chron 173.24 W

Thursday Sept^{r} 2nd Begins with fresh breezes from E.S.E. heading N.E. 14 ships in sight, two boiling, some of the rest ~~boiling~~ whaling middle part wore ship heading to the Southward after part wind hauls to the Southward heading E by S. the weather rugged

Lat. by Ob. 68„02 N
Long. „ Chron 170.58 W

Friday Sept^{r} 3rd Begins with rugged weather and fresh breezes from the ~~Eastward~~ Southward. heading, E by S. afterwards hauls a little to the Westward, ship heading S.E. spoke the Good Return 16 whales this season, middle part wind and weather the same, after part wind from the Southward steering N. under double reefed topsails

Lat. by Acct. 67.40 N
Long. " Chron. 170.00 W

Saturday September 4th Begins with half a gale of wind from the Southward steering N. spoke the Washington (Ship) of Sagharbor 13 whales this season, also the Seine of New Bedford 10 whales this season 1300 bbls, middle part wind growing lighter and finally dies away to a calm, at 4 A. M. raised a bowhead 1st 2nd and 3rd boats lowered but did not fasten, after breakfast the same boats lowered again with no better success, 27 ships in sight 8 boiling wind from the Southward

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Long. " Do 169.50 W

OLD DARTMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEW BEDFORD MASS.

Sunday Sept. 5th Begins with moderate breezes from the Southward plenty of whales in sight, but very shy and boats chasing in every direction, lowered all the boats and chased the whole afternoon, without getting a whale nor did we see any other ship get one After supper lowered 1st and 2nd boats again with the same success. At 8 P. M. the boats were hoisted up for the night the wind fresh from the Southward, middle part wind the same, after part raised whales lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, and chased the whole forenoon without success, 50 ships in sight and all chasing, spoke the Navy of Greenport 11 whales

Lat. by Obs. 68.33 N.
Long. " Chron 171.36 W

Monday Septr. 6th Begins with fresh breezes from the Southward heading to the Westward, plenty of whales in sight all going to the W. N. W. during the afternoon had all the boats down, the whales were going quick making passages, the mate went on and the whale settled as the boatsteerer stood up and so was so far under water he could not reach him, saw one ship out of the crowd get a whale at 7 P. M. moderating, the boats crews all turned in and the shipkeepers took the watch, intending if the whales should remain here to have a dash at them, at the peep of day, with the boats crews, as cool and fresh as a summers morning at 8 P. M. wind hauls to the Eastward, with fog at 7 A. M the fog lights up, remainder of the day strong breezes from the Eastward, double reefed the topsails

Current these 24 hours
1knot to the Northward

Lat. by Obs. 68.54 N.
Long. " Chron 171.37 W

Tuesday Septr. 7th Begins with rugged weather and strong breezes from E. S. E. standing to the South at 6 P. M. raised a bow head on our lee beam lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats, saw him but one rising afterwards, when he started to windward and we saw him no more, middle part wind and weather the same with fog, after part moderate a little with fog squalls, saw a few whales, spout once or twice and that was the last of them

Lat. by Obs. 68.49 N.
Long. " Chron 172.28 W

Wednesday Septr. 8th Begins with moderate weather but cold and disagreeable, saw a bow head lowered all the boats, and that was the last of it at 5 P. M. wind from the Eastward, ship heading S. S. E. and a rain storm, plenty of ships in sight middle part wind hauls to the Northward heading N.E. by E. weather thick and foggy after part single reefed the topsails, spoke the Kutuzoff 15 whales this season, heard from the Orizimbo yesterday—12 whales the Braganza 13. the Adeline 12 also that the Gideon Howland had left full, remainder of the day the weather thick and dirty

Lat. by Acct. 69.. N
Long. " Do. 172.. W

Thursday Septr. 9th. Begins with cold damp, disagreeable, weather wind fresh from the Northward heading N.E. by E. 36 ships in sight from mast head, some boiling and one cutting, middle part wind the same the ship heading the same and thick fog. after part the fog lights up kept her off S.W. by S.

Lat. by Double Alts. 68"19 N.
Long. " Chron 168"34 W

Friday Septr. 10th. Begins with fresh breezes from the Northward steering S.W. by S during the afternoon spoke the Hobomok of Falmouth and Merca of New Bedford the Hobomok had taken 3 whales this season making her 500 barrels, she however did not leave the Sandwich Islands until the season was half up having lost her topmasts in a white squall, There is a report of the loss of two more ships the Northern Light of Fairhaven in the Sea of Anadir and the George Howland of New Bedford taken by the convicts at the Gallipagos islands, the fate of the crew is unknown after the Spaniards took her it is said they fitted her out for a piratical cruise, taking one vessel, name and nation unknown with 40 persons on board all of whom were massacred remainder of the day occasional fog squalls and moderate breezes from N. N. W.

Lat. by Obs 67..55 N.
Long. " Chron 173..15 W

Saturday Sept. 11th Begins with moderate breezes from N. N. W. steering S. S. E. spoke the Anadir 1 whale since we saw her making 200 bbls middle part foggy laid with main yard aback head to the Eastward, after part lights up a little kept her off S. E. three ships in sight

Lat. by Acct. 67..20 N.
Long. " Do. 172..W

Sunday Sept. 12th Begins with thick cloudy weather ~~weather~~ wind light N. N. E steering S. E. at 3 P. M. the fog shuts in thick hauled her up to the wind heading E. middle part thick fog, after part the same, saw one bowhead close to the ship, lowered 1st 2d and 3d boats, the weather however was too thick to do any thing; whilst they were down, they saw and heard a number of bowheads, wore ship and let her lay main yard aback head to the Westward

Lat. by Acct. 67..15 N.
Long. " Do. 171..50 W

Monday Sept. 13th Begins with a thick fog and light airs from the Northward heading W. and laying with main yard aback, middle part thick fog, after part the fog lights up a little inside the land, the western shore of the Arctic wind N. steering E.

Lat. by Obs 67..13 N.
Long. " Chron 173..9 W

Tuesday Septr 14th Begins with fine weather and light winds from the Northward running along the western shore of the Arctic three ships in sight. The snow has entirely disappeared from the land, even the tops of the highest mountains, are entirely destitute of snow, their lofty peaks towering high in the heavens, disclosing their barren summits and sides ~~entirely~~ totally destitute of vegetation The weather altho'' very pleasant begins to grow cooler and admonishes us to think of changing our climate soon for a more genial one, icicles having already formed on the ships rigging, middle part strong breezes from the Northward, took in topgallant sails and courses and hauled her on the wind heading N.E. by E. after part wind freshens from the same quarter kept her off S.E. East Cape in sight about 50 miles distant, a little before meridian passed a large village of native huts on the Southern shore of the Arctic a little to the Westward of Cape East.

Chronometer one degree out of the way to the westward

Lat. by Obs. 66.. 12
Long. " Chron 170. 05 W

Wednesday Septr 15th Begins with fine clear pleasant weather and strong breezes from the Northward steering S.E. having entered Bherings Sts and bid Adieu to the Arctic after a stay in that sea of 34 days. At 4 P.M. running along the Diomede island we observed a native settlement of some 20 or 30 huts on the side of a steep mountain they were waving skins, walrus teeth &c to attract attention. The main yard was hauled aback and the Captain proceeded with a boats crew to the shore, The natives were warmly clothed and very cleanly. their huts were made of whales ribs covered with skins, leaving a small hole in the top for the escape of the smoke and a small one in the side for a door. these were their summer residences. their winter ones were under the ground some 20 feet from the surface and were floored, the flooring probably obtained from some of the wrecks of last season. What could induce them to settle on the side of barren mountain almost perpendicular is a mystery we can not solve, Some walrus teeth were obtained from them, the boat returned to the ship was hoisted up and we braced forward steering S. with a good breeze. We forgot to mention that we gave them a bag of bread and a dozen bottles of molasses for which they appeared to be very thankful middle part wind moderate. course the same after part hauls to the Westward and dies away to a calm

Lat. by Obs. 64.40 N.
Long. " Chron 170.52 W

Thursday Sept. 16th. Begins with a calm and beautiful weather, but we fear it is treacherous and only a precursor to a gale of wind. During the afternoon a light air springs up from the Southward heading E.S.E. middle part wind light from the Northward at heading to the Southward, after part wind freshens from the same quarter, sent up main royal yard and sail, and set it. also set lower and fore topgallant studding sails. 6 ships in sight ahead of us standing out through the Strait

Chronometer fast 4.50"

Lat. by Obs. 64.24 N
Long. " Chron 171.14 W

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Friday Septr 17th Begins with a good breeze from the Northward steering S. by E. and beautiful weather. the island of St Lawrence plain in sight directly ahead about 20 miles distant and 6 ships all making the best of their way out of the Straits, middle part fine weather and a good breeze from the Northward steering S. by E. after part, wind, weather and course the same

Lat. by Obs. 62" 07 N.
Long. " Chron 173" " W

Saturday Septr 18th Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from the Northward steering S. by E. at 3 P.M. wind hauled to N.W took in studding sails and kept her S. middle part took in topgallant sails and courses and luffed up to the wind, out from the Westward, after part made sail 8 ships in sight. also the island of St Matthews, on the lee bow 50 miles distant spoke the Ocean of Providence 2400 barrels altogether two seasons out

Lat. by Obs. 61"03 N
Long. " Chron 174.20 W

Sunday Septr 19th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the West steering S. in company with the Ocean middle part wind light from W. N. W heading S. W, at an early hour kept her off for Bear Island about 25 miles distant running along St Matthews the Ocean in company, seen no other ships after part wind growing lighter

Lat. by Obs 60"29 N
Long. " Chron 174"45 W

Monday Sept. 20th Begins with light airs from the Westward running along the island the Ocean in company with us. at 3 P.M. a dead calm in half an hour a light breeze springs up from S.W. heading W.N.W. heading off the land, there being no signs of any whales in the vicinity of the island, we feel confident that there is a pod of whales not far from here but in what direction to steer to find them, is more than we can tell middle part laid main yard aback after part braced forward and stood in toward the land wind light and baffling from the E. also spoke the Electra New London 13 whales this season

Lat. by Obs 60 . 51 N
Long. " Acct. 175 . 00 W

Tuesday Sept. 21st Begins with light winds from N.E. kept her off S.S.E. during the afternoon breezing up fresh with every appearance of a gale of wind took in all the light sails, furled the mainsail and double reefed the topsails we also received a quarter of a polar bear from the Electra, they had killed 4 bears 3 of them yesterday, middle part a gale of wind with rain from N.E. and a heavy sea running, shipped a sea which stove the bulwarks in the waist, after part the weather no better. kept her off S.W. running for Bhering's island to leave the sea by that course

Lat. by Acct. 58 . 20 N.
Long. " Do. 176 . – W

Wednesday Sept. 22nd Begins with a gale of wind from the Eastward steering S.W. running before it under double reefed topsails. middle part, wind moderating with a heavy sea running and rain, after part made sail set mainsail, flying jib and whole topsails with main topgallant sail steering S.W. wind S.S.E.

Lat. by Obs. 57.57 N.
Long. " Chron 178.16 W

Barometer in 28.6

Thursday Sept. 23rd Begins with cloudy weather and moderate breezes from S.S.E steering S.W. at 6 P.M. hauls to S.E. middle part fresh breezes from S.S.E. with fog squally course the same, after part wind hauls to the Eastward steering S.W. set main royal also saw two ships

Distance run 143
Lat. by Obs. 57.05 N
Long. " Chron 177.39 E

Friday Sept. 24th Begins with fresh breezes from the Eastward and squally steering S.W. set mainsail middle part wind light from the same quarter set fore topmast studding sail, after part breezes up again steering S.W.

Distance run 106
Lat. by Obs. 56.35 N
Long. " Chron 174.37 E

Saturday Sept. 25th Begins with moderate breezes from S.E. and cloudy weather steering S.W/b S. set lower studding sail during the afternoon the wind freshens from the same quarter, saw several fin backs, middle part strong breezes from the Eastward course the same after part the same set up main topmast stay and set stay sail

Distance run 170
Lat. by Obs 54.37 N
Long. " Chron 171.12 E.

1852 In the Sea of Kamtschatka

Sunday Sept. 26th Begins with fresh breezes from the Eastward steering S.S.W. sent up main-top gallant studding sail boom and set the sail, middle part wind light from S.S.E. heading S.W. after part nearly calm wind hauls S. ship heads W.S.W.

Distance run 55

Lat. by Obs. 53..50 N.
Long. " Chron 169..55 E

Monday Sept. 27th Begins with light airs from the Southward heading W.S.W. this afternoon seen a number of fin backs, at 6 P.M. wore ship heading E. by S. middle part nearly calm at 2 A.M. a light breeze springs up from S.E. wore ship heading S.S.W. after part the wind freshens from the same quarter with a short head sea took in all the light sails and double reefed the topsails the rain also sets in

Distance run 57

Lat. by Acct. 53..00 N
Long. " Do. 169..10 E.

Tuesday Sept. 28th Begins with half a gale of wind from S.E. heading S. by W. with a short head beat sea causing her to pitch considerably middle and after parts a gale of wind from N.E. steering S.E. with a heavy sea running

Distance run 130

Lat. by Obs 51..10 N.
Long. " Acct 169..00 E

Wednesday Sept. 29th Begins with a gale of wind from N.E. steering S.E. during the afternoon coming on heavier furled fore and mizen topsails and kept her off S.S.E. middle part blows heavy toward daylight begins to moderate set double reefed topsails, after part continues to moderate set whole topsails, topgallant sails and main royal with a strong breeze from N. E. steering S. E

Distance 194 S. S. E nearly
Do to Oahu 2190 S. E ¼ S.
Lat. by Obs. 48.25 N
Long. " Chron 171.37 E

Thursday Septr 30th Begins with strong breezes from N. N. E. steering S. E. by E. with studding sails set alow and aloft, middle part wind moderate from N. N. W. steering S. E. by E. after part wind the same steering S. E. by E with all the studding sails bent that would draw, unbent the ensign and set the spanker

Distance 134 S. E. ¾ E.
Do to Oahu 2056 S. E ¼ S
Lat. by Obs. 46.48 N
Long. " Chron, 173.– E

Friday Octr 1st Begins with moderate breezes from N. N. W. steering S. E. by E the weather still unsettled but improving, middle part wind moderate from the same quarter after part the same

Distance 177 S. E by E ½ E
Do to Oahu 1897 S. E ¾ E
Lat. by Obs. 45.22 N
Long. " Chron 176.43 E

Saturday Octr 2nd Begins with light breezes from N. W. steering S. E. by E. the watch employed in breaking out our bone for the purpose of drying, at 7 P. M. the wind comes out from N. E. but very light, middle part wind E. N. E. heading S. E. and S. E. by S after part wind growing lighter with rain made sail

Distance 130 S. S. E ½ E
Do to Oahu 1767 S. E ½ E
Lat. by Acct 43.30 N
Long. " Do 178.– E

Bound to the Sandwich Islands

Sunday Oct. 3rd Begins with light breezes from the Eastward heading S.S.E. set whole topsails and topgallant sails, at 2 P.M. the wind comes out from S.W. and freshens steering S.E. by E. At 6 P.M. had a heavy squall from S.W. took in topgallant sails and mainsail and double reefed the topsails, middle part a gale of wind from S.W. with heavy squalls accompanied with vivid lightning and instantaneous peals of thunder split the mizentopsail and furled, the sea very heavy frequently tumbling in on the ships decks carrying away bulwarks after part moderates a little

Distance 120 miles | Lat. by Obs 42.23 N.
Do. to Oahu 1643 S.E.½ S | Long. " Chron 179.12 W

Monday Oct. 4th Begins with half a gale of wind from the Westward steering S.E. by E. at 1 P.M. hauls to N.W. made all sail setting studding sails alow and aloft to steady her as she rolled awfully the wind moderating fast and the sea rising middle part fresh breezes from N.W. steering S.E. by E. after part squally and wind hauls to N. sent down fore topgallant sail repaired it and sent it up again

Distance 170 S.E.¼ E | Lat. by Obs. 40.23 N.
Do. to Oahu 1468 S.E.½ S | Long. " Chron. 176.26 W

Tuesday Oct. 5th Begins with fresh breezes from the Northward steering S.E. by E. during the afternoon repaired the main topmast staysail and set it, middle part wind light from the same quarter course the same after part wind hauls to N.E. course the same took in studding sails

Distance 144, S.E. | Lat. by Obs 38.42 N.
Do. to Oahu 1328 S.E.½ S. | Long. " Chron 174.17 W

1852 In the North Pacific

Wednesday Octr 6th Begins with cloudy weather and light winds from the Eastward heading S.S.E. at 4 P.M. wore ship heading N.E. by E with every prospect of a head wind for some time come, last season in this very place when we were bound in we experienced a head wind which lasted for 13 days, middle part squally and a rugged head beat sea heading E.N.E. after part wind the same ship comes up to E. by N.

Dystance 100 E by N. 1/2 N.
Do: to Oahu 1230 S.E. 3/4 S

Lat. by Obs 39.11 N.
Long. " Acct 172 " W

Thursday Octr 7th Begins with thick cloudy weather and a head wind from S.E. heading E.N.E. and a rugged sea on at 4 P.M. had a heavy squall from S.W. clued down the topsails when we had a fair wind for about 20 minutes, the wind then hauled back to the old quarter S.E. and we double reefed fore and main topsails jogging along to the Eastward, after supper sent down the mizen topsail, middle part wind hauls to S.W. squared the yards and made sail, after part sent up new mizentopsail and commenced breaking out after hatch. the wind also hauls to the Southward and dies away almost to a calm

Distance to Oahu 1203
Course S.E. by S.

Lat. by Obs 38.36 N
Long. " Chron 170.31 W

Friday Octr 8th Begins with light airs from the Southward steering E.S.E. at 1 P.M the wind hauls to S.W. and breezes up a little the crew employed in breaking out in the after hatch, middle part a fair wind from

S. W. course the same, after part wind and course the same the watch employed in washing bone

Distance 120 E. by S. 3/4 S — Lat. by Obs. 37.53 N.
Do to Oahu 1106 S. E. by S — Long. " Chron 168.10 W

Saturday Octr 9th Begins with moderate winds from S. W. steering E. S. E the watch employed as the day before during the afternoon the wind hauls to the Southward took in studding sails, middle part fresh breezes from S. W. steering E. S. E. after part hauls to the Southward course the same, the crew employed in stowing oil between decks

Distance 149 S. E. by E 3/4 E — Lat. by Obs. 36.50 N
Do to Oahu 986 S. S. E — Long. " Chron 165.20 W

Sunday Octr 10th Begins with light breezes from S. W. steering E. S. E. the crew employed as on the previous day. middle part wind and weather the same course also after part fine weather and moderate breezes from S. W. steering E. S. E. the crew employed as before in stowing oil between decks and securing it

Distance 163 S. E by E 1/2 E. — Lat. by Obs. 36.09 N
Do to Oahu 903 S. by E 1/2 E — Long. " Chron 165.27 W

Monday Octr 11th Begins with beautiful weather and light winds from S. W. steering E. S. E, the crew still employed between decks securing every thing in the most substantial manner middle and after parts light winds from N. W. to N. steering E. S. E the watch employed in washing bone

Distance 114 S. E. by E. — Lat. by Obs 35.08 N
Do to Oahu 837 S. by E. 1/2 E — Long. " Chron 161.29 W

Tuesday Oct. 12th Begins with light airs from the Northward steering E.S.E the crew employed in washing bone the weather warm, clear and pleasant, at sunset scarce a breath of air stirring, middle part light airs from the Northward course the same, after part a breeze springs up from N.E. with rain and finally hauls to the Eastward heading S. by E. the watch employed in washing and drying bone

Distance 67 S.E. by E 3/4 E
D° to Oahu 773 S. 3/4 E

Lat. by Obs. 34"26 N.
Long. " Chron 160"22 W

Wednesday Oct. 13th Begins with light airs and ahead the ship coming up no better than S. by E. the watch employed as in the previous day, at 6 P. M. coming up to S.E. by E. middle part wind light from the Eastward heading S.S.E. after part hauls to N.E. steering E.S.E. the crew employed in breaking out provisions from the after hatch and substituting oil,

Distance 95 S.E.
D° to Oahu 699 S. 4°.33' E
D° " Maui 757 S. by E.

Lat. by Obs 33.20 N
Long. " Acct 159.– W

Thursday Oct. 14th Begins with strong breezes from N.E. steering S.E this afternoon finished in the after hatch also saw a ship 4 points on the lee bow standing to the Southward, middle part strong trades from N.E. steering S.E. by S. after part strong breezes from N.N.E course the same the watch employed in washing and drying bone and stowing it between decks

Distance 214, S.E. by E°1/2 E
D° to Maui 563 S. 6°33 E

Lat. by Obs. 30"11 N.
Long. " Chron 157.2 W

1852 Bound to the Sandwich Islands

Friday Octr. 15th. Begins with strong breezes from N.N.E. steering S.E. by S the crew employed in washing and drying bone preparatory to stowing it between decks, as we have such a glorious breeze we bid fair to be in port before we can get the ship in order, so that it is scratching times for all hands, middle part fresh breezes from N.E. steering S.E. by S½ S. after part wind and course the same the crew employed in washing ship :

Distance 204 S.S.E. | Lat. by Obs. 27.16 N.
Do. to Maui 370 S. 2°.33′ W. | Long. " Chro 155.38 W

Saturday Octr. 16th. Begins with strong breezes from N.N.E. steering S. by E. the watch employed in cleaning ship and making preparations for port, middle part set fore topmast and main top gallant studding sails steering S. by E. during the night the wind hauls to E. took in studding sails after part wind and course the same the watch employed in cleaning ship 4 ships in sight all steering to the Southward bound in to the Sandwich islands

Distance 194 S. | Lat. by Obs 24.04 N
Do. to Maui 177 S. 2°.33′ W | Long. " Chro 155.43 W

Sunday Octr. 17th. Begins with strong breezes from the Eastward steering S. 6 ships in sight set fore topmast studding sail during the afternoon finished cleaning ship and were all ready for port. middle part strong trades from N.E. steering S. after part wind hauls to the Eastward took in studding sails at 7 A.M. made the land directly ahead being the island of Maui, at 6 P.M. civil time came to anchor at Lahaina three ships at anchor and eight others in the passage endeavoring to work up to the anchorage through calms and light cats paws from every point of the compass, remainder of the day calm

Monday Oct. 18th Begins with hot sultry weather and a calm, took out a part of our bone and spread it on deck preparatory to drying and bundling, during the day six more ships came to anchor, we have also heard it reported that the Sarah of Matapoisett is lost with her entire crew she left the Sea of Kamtschatka in the early part of the season leaking badly having been crushed in the ice, and started for these islands, thinking they could keep her afloat until they reached here, and she has not since been heard from, remainder of the day calm

Tuesday Oct. 19th Begins with light airs from the S. W. to day commenced bundling our bone, during the day two ships arrived no departures, we also found in the columns of the Friend 21 letters advertised for us at Oahu which in all probability we shall receive day after to morrow the Captain having sent for them after part a calm

Wednsday Oct. 20th Begins with a calm during the day the watch employed in bundling bone the starboard watch a shore on liberty 19 vessels at anchor besides ourselves and one coming in remainder of the day calm

Laying at Anchor at Maui (S. I.)

Thursday Oct. 21st Begins with excessively hot, sultry weather, scarcely a breath of air stirring to day finished bunching the remainder of our bone having dried it thoroughly, five more Whale ships arrived to day, remainder of the day calm the larboard watch on shore

Friday Oct. 22nd Begins with the same old fashioned weather we have experienced since we came to anchor here three more arrivals, remainder of the day calm the starboard watch on shore

Saturday Oct. 23 Begins with hot weather two more arrivals the larboard watch on shore on liberty, to day washed the ship and have her ready for painting also put our bone in the main hatch, remainder of the day light airs

Sunday Oct 24th Begins with the same hot, sultry weather, the starboard watch on shore on liberty, the shipping in the harbor displaying the stars and stripes in every direction, remainder of the day light airs

Monday Oct. 25th Begins with hot weather at an early hour towed off a raft of 11 casks of water also commenced painting larboard side of ship the larboard watch on shore on liberty two more arrivals to day, remainder of the day the same

Tuesday Oct. 26th Begins with warm weather the starboard watch on shore on liberty took in to day a portion of our potatoes, remainder of the day calm and sultry

1852 Laying at Anchor at Maui S. I.

Wednesday Octr 27th Begins with hot sultry weather, the larboard watch ashore on liberty, during the day received from shore a boat load of pumpkins and bananas, also painted starboard side of ship, during the day a number of arrivals and departures, the weather still excessively hot

Thursday Octr 28th Begins with a calm to day distributed our bone between decks for a final stowing of it previous to sailing also, filled a number of pipes with water between decks, during the day quite a little breeze sprung up from the Southward and was quite refreshing, quite a number of the crew to day were unable to work some 8 or 10 with cholera morbus, occasioned by heat and immoderate partaking of fruit, and perhaps drink on shore, a number of departures to day and one arrival, remainder of the day pleasant

Friday Octr 29th Begins with a calm to day received the balance of our potatoes and three boat loads of wood also discharged our 4th Mate who shipped with us last season at Oahu, during the day the trades set in quite fresh and pleasant + 4 departures and one arrival remainder of the day pleasant

Saturday Octr 30th Begins with the usual mild weather we have experienced here all hands engaged in ship's duty, a number of the crew sick from excess of eating fruit

1852 Laying at Anchor at Maui S. I.

Sunday Oct. 31st Begins with a second edition of dog days, as far as hot weather is concerned and finds us at our anchorage opposite Lahaina together with a goodly number of Yankee whale ships, some bound home with a profitable voyage to all interested, others with a North West season in full view, the starboard watch on shore on liberty, the sick all convalescent the watch, set for the night, and order, quiet and contentment, on ship board, prevailing as usual

Monday Nov 1st Begins with warm weather no rain has fallen here since our arrival three or four departures, but no arrivals. to day discharged Charly Munson, Barney McElroy and Santiago a Spanish boy, also brought off a small raft of water, the crew employed on ships duty remainder of the day calm

Tuesday Nov 2nd Begins with the same kind of weather we have experienced since our stay here, several departures to day, no arrivals also discharged Alek (Otaheite) a kanaka making 5 we have discharged at this port, since our arrival, to day received on board Charly Loomis a seaman from the United States who had been an inmate of the American hospital for the last year with consumption, and had received no benefit, being a mere youth and anxious to return to his parents or die in the attempt, the Captain very humanely consented to receive him on board and placed him in the steerage, remainder of the day calm

1852 Laying off and on Oahu S.I

Wednesday Nov^r 3^rd Begins with light airs from the westward, at an early hour commenced heaving up the anchor and at 7 A.M. were under way, intending to stop at Oahu, as the ship payed off the Huntsville saluted us with a discharge from her 4 swivels, and run up her ensign, the compliment was duly acknowledged by us by setting our ensign three times, not having our long tom mounted, during the day had light baffling winds from W. to E. at 3 P.M fresh breezes from the Northward, at 6 took in fore and mizen topgallant sails with flying jib heading W. by N.

Thursday Nov 4^th Begins with light baffling winds from the westward the land in sight through the haze, at early dawn made Diamond Hill, the remains of a volcano in times past in full operation, the wind being very light, the Captain proceeded with a boats crew to the town, to transact his business, having left sails and provisions there last season, and there being no prospect of the ship getting there until late in the day, remainder of the day laying off and on

Friday Nov 5^th Begins with a calm laying off and on Oahu, during the forenoon a stranger made his appearance on deck, having secreted himself on board ship previous to leaving Lahaina, he belonged to the Albion Capt^n Sowle and had run away from her, at 12 M the Captain came on board

1852 Laying off and on Oahu. S. I

Saturday Nov 6th Begins with calms, at 1 P.M. the scow came alongside with the provisions &c left last season, the interloper found on board as was sent on shore by them and we took our departure with light airs from the Southward heading W. S. W. middle part a light breeze from E. N. E. set fore topmast and main top gallant studding sails steering S. S. E.

{The ship 10 miles to the Eastward of the chronometer} Lat. by Obs. 20..06 N. Long. " Chron 158..28 W.

Sunday Nov 7th Begins with moderate breezes from E. N. E. steering S. S. E. three ships in sight from mast head, bound in the same direction as ourselves, middle part wind hauls to E. S. E heading S. took in studding sails, also spoke the Levant of Sagharbor 900 barrels this season after part moderate breezes from E. S. E. heading S.

Distance run last 24 hours 109 miles S. by E. ½ E. Lat. by Obs. 18..21 N Long. " Chron 157..49 W

Monday Nov 8th Begins with fine weather and moderate breezes from E. S. E. heading S. the Levant about 6 miles astern of us middle part squally from E. S. E. to S. E. with any quantity of rain, after part good weather wind steady from E. S. E. heading S. the Levant still in sight.

Distance run last 24 hours 114 miles S. by W. ½ W. Lat. by Obs. 16..43 N. Long. " Chron 158..26 W.

Tuesday Nov 9th Begins with good weather and moderate breezes from E. S. E. heading S. the watch employed in mending sails, middle part moderate breezes from the same quarter heading S. after part hauls more to the Eastward two ships in sight. the watch employed in mending fore topsail

Distance run last 24 hours Lat. by Obs. 15 " 3 N.
111 miles S. 3/4 E. Long. " Chron 158 . 9 W

Wednesday Nov 10th Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward heading S.S.E this afternoon finished the foretopsail and sent it up, middle part fresh breezes from the Eastward heading the same after part the same

Distance run last 24 hours Lat. by Obs 12 . 43 N
154 miles S. by E. 1/2 E Long. " Chron 157 . 28 W

Thursday Nov 11th Begins with strong breezes from the Eastward heading S. by E at 2 P.M. a heavy squall rising took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails. after a deluge of rain clears up made sail. at 5 P.M. another heavy squall from E.N.E. with plenty of rain set main top gallant sail steering S.E. by S. middle part wind hauls to N.W and rain throughout the entire night at daylight hauls to the Westward and dies away to a calm. at 10 A.M a light breeze springs up from the Eastward heading S.S.E.

Distance run last 24 hours Lat. by Acct 10 " 50 N
121 miles S. by E 3/4 E Long " D° 156 " 35 W

Friday Nov 12th Begins with fresh breezes from E.N.E. steering S.E. by S. and rain at 4 P.M. the rain ceases. this afternoon in looking around between decks we discovered a 6 barrel cask entirely empty. we had been pumping oil for the last two days and things began to look quite serious before we found this cask, and we are in hopes that this one cask was the sole cause, middle and after parts wind moderate from E.N.E. steering S.E. by S.

Distance run last 24 hours
112 miles S. by E 3/4 E.

Lat. by Obs 9..06 N
Long. " Chron 153..58 W

Saturday Nov 13th Begins with moderate breeze from the Eastward heading S.S.E. middle part wind lets her come up to S.E. after part the same with occasional squalls the wind growing lighter

Distance run last 24 hours
129 miles S.E. by S 1/2 S

Lat. by Obs 7..14 N
Long. " Chron 154..54 W

Sunday Nov 14th Begins with light airs from E.S.E heading S. this afternoon on starting the pumps to our astonishment we pumped clear oil for 15 minutes, we do not understand this new move and if it keeps on at that rate much longer we shall bid fair to lose all our oil between decks, as we presume that is the oil which is now leaking, this afternoon exchanged signals with the Herald bound in the same direction we are. at 7 P.M. had a heavy squall from S.E. took in all the light sails together with the courses and double reefed the topsails split fore top-gallant sail badly. middle part, raining tremendously with dirty, squally weather, after part. weather more settled made sail wind in the same direction ship heading S.S.W.

Distance run last 24 hours
79 miles S. by W.

Lat. by Obs 6..07 N.
Long. " Chron 155..07 W

1852 In the North Pacific

Monday Nov 15th Begins with good weather and moderate breeze from S.E. heading S.S.W. the Herald still in sight of us nearly aſtern, middle part wind moderate from S.E. and weather good ship heading S.S.W. after part wind and weather the same. the ship came up to S. by W. the watch employed in mending fore topgallant sail

Diſtance sailed laſt 24 hours
132 miles S.S.W.

Lat. by Obs 4..09 N
Long. " Chron 155..59 W

Tuesday Nov 16th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from E.S.E. the ship coming up finally to S.S.E. our companion the Herald on our weather quarter during the afternoon spoke her, she, like ourſelves had seen nothing since leaving the iſlands, middle and after parts freſh breeze from E. to E.S.E. ship heading principally S. by E.

Diſtance run laſt 24 hours
156 miles S ½ W.

Lat. by Obs 1..38 N
Long. " Chron 156..16 W

Wednesday Nov 17th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Eaſtward heading S. by E. middle and after parts wind lighter from E.S.E heading S. and S. by E. the weather beautiful, our companion the Herald about 15 miles aſtern during the forenoon she tacked and stood on the other tack which I preſume is the laſt we shall see of her this voyage

Diſtance run laſt 24 hours
136 miles S.S.W.

Lat. by Obs. 0..40 S.
Long. " Chron 157.. 6 W

Homeward Bound (with a short cruise)

Thursday Nov 18th Begins with fine weather and finds us once more in the South Pacific having croſsed the Equator this morning the wind moderate from E. S. E. the ship heading S. and S. 1/2 E. middle and after parts wind the same the ship heading up no better, this morning unbent the mainsail repaired it and bent it again

Distance run these 24 hours
136 miles S. 4° W.

Lat. by Obs 2.44 S.
Long. " Chron 157.16 W

Friday Nov 19th Begins with fine weather and light breezes from E. S. E. heading S. this afternoon sent down the maintopsail and bent a new one, middle part the same after part unbent the foresail to repair it the wind light from the Eastward ship heading S. by E

Diſtance run 90 miles
S.

Lat. by Obs. 4.14 S
Long. " Chron 157.14 W

Saturday Nov 20th Begins with light airs from E. S. E. heading S. during the afternoon finished the foresail and bent it again middle part took in topgallant sails, hauled up the courses and laid with main yard aback, believing we were on good sperm ground, at 5 A. M. made sail and braced forward heading S. E. wind E. N. E. after part wind hauls to N. N. E. at 11 A. M. raised sperm whales directly ahead lowered 1st and 2nd boats and afterwards 3rd boat, remainder of the day the boats chasing whales, scattered about in every direction in pods of two or three and very wild

Sperm
Whales

Diſtance made good in 24 hours
76 miles S. S. E.

Lat. by Obs 5.26 S.
Long. " Chron 156.46 W

1852 In the South Pacific

Sperm whales

Sunday Nov 21st Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from N.N.E. the boats still in pursuit, the whales scattered about singly and in pairs, showing no chance at all, being small 10 or 15 barrel cow whales. At 1 P.M. the mates boat fastened but the chance being a very poor one the irons drew. at 3 P.M. the boats were called on board the whales going dead to windward middle part tacked ship heading N.W at 5 A.M. tacked again heading to the East saw a ship cutting supposed the Milo at 7 A.M. raised sperm whales 5 miles off after breakfast lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but could not fasten, at 10 called the boats on board, the whales still in sight going as fast as the ship

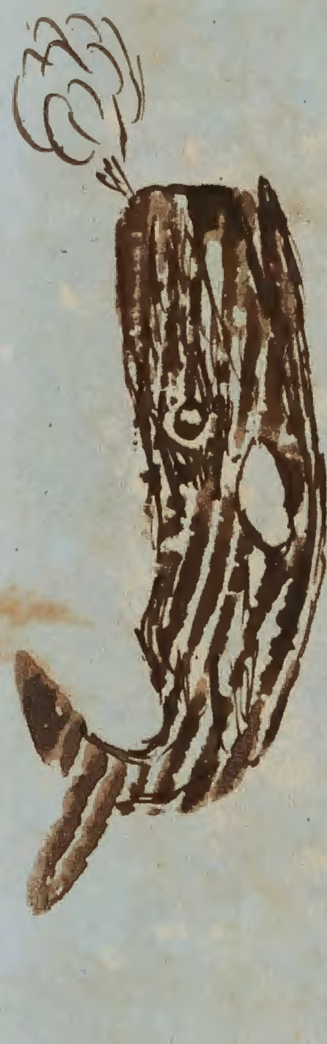
Cruising these 24 hours

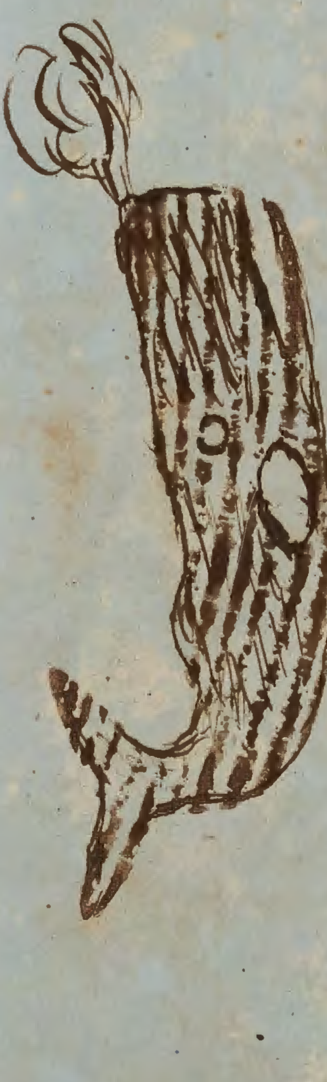
Lat. by Obs. 5.14 S
Long " Chron 157.9 W

Monday Nov 22nd Begins with light winds from N.E. heading N.N.W. sperm whales still in sight 5 miles off 4 points on our weather bow at 1 P.M. lowered the 1st and 2nd boats and after 2 hours hard chasing gave it up the whales going faster than the boats could pull, middle part heading N.N.W. toward morning wore ship heading S.E. at 9 A.M. raised sperm whales 10 miles off breaching on our larboard bow kept off for them in an hour and a half came up to them, the mate being unable to lower having burnt his eyes so yesterday with the sun, the Captain took his boat and lowered followed by the 2nd mate, in a short time the Captain struck, they were too much for the mates constitution and down he went in the bow boat, followed by the 3rd mate with the starboard boat, and both put with might and main for the fast whale, remainder of the day boats in chase and three of them fast

Cruising these 24 hours

Lat. by Obs 5..27 S
Long. " Chro 157..12 W





Tuesday Nov 23rd Begins with moderate winds from N.E. and fine weather the boats all fast, In a short time the Captn waifed his whale and started for another the 2nd mate also turned up his whale and fastened to another having waifed his whale In a short time one of the waifed whales rolled over, throwing the waif in the water nearly causing us to lose the run of him - and just at this moment, the mates whale stove his boat, so that he could scarcely keep her afloat, compelling him to cut from his whale now spouting blood The third mate who had just turned up his whale waifed him - and cut loose and started for the mates whale which he soon overtook and fastening to him soon killed him. the 2nd mate saved both of his and after considerable toil, trouble, anxiety and perplexity, we succeeded at 6 P.M. in having the whole 5 nicely tied up by the tail alongside of the ship, when all hands went to dinner on the strength of such a glorious days work, middle part laying by our whales, at an early hour commenced breaking out the blubber room, which was filled with casks of water, after breakfast commenced cutting, at 11 A.M. raised a

Sperm Whales

breach on our weather quarter, in half an hour after saw several spouts, have no doubt they were sperm whales, but we had our hands full to take care of what we had alongside, remainder of the day employed in cutting

Lat. by Obs. 5..26 S
Long. " Chron 157..32 W

Wednesday Nov 24th Begins with fine weather and finds us busily engaged in cutting, at half past 6 P. M finished cutting when we braced forward heading E. the wind light from N. N. E. middle part, the watch employed in clearing away the heads after part moderate winds from N. E. heading E. S. E under easy sail at 11 A. M started the works

Lat. by Obs. 5.33 S
Long. " Chron 157..28 W

Thursday Nov. 25th Begins with fine weather and light winds from N. E. heading E. S. E. the crew employed in boiling, middle and after parts employed in boiling

Lat. by Obs. 6..08 S
Long. " Chron 156..56 W

Friday Nov 26th Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from N. E heading E. S. E. under easy sail the crew employed in boiling, at 7 P. M wore ship heading N. N. W and lay with main yard aback, middle part the watch employed in boiling, after part braced forward and stood heading to the

Bound Home (with a short cruise)

Northward, still employed in boiling

Lat. by Obs. 5.49 S
Long. " Chron 157.14 W

Sperm Whales

Saturday Nov. 27th Begins with fine weather and light winds from E.N.E. heading N. by W. still employed in boiling. at half past one P.M. the cry of sperm whales was again heard from mast head, a large school of cow whales, they were going fast immediately lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but could not strike, the boats were called on board and we finished boiling during the afternoon, our whales turning up a plump 120 barrels, middle part fresh breezes from E.N.E heading N. by W. after part wind the same wore ship heading S.E. saw a ship a long distance off

Lat. by Obs 5.37 S.
Long. " Chron 157.24 W

Sunday Nov 28th Begins with fresh breezes from E.N.E. heading S.E. middle part the ship coming up to S.E. by E. and E.S.E. after part wind moderate from N.E. at 7 A.M. wore ship heading N.N.W

Lat. by Obs 6.20 S
Long. " Chron 157.5 W

Monday Nov 29th Begins with light breezes from N.E. heading N.N.W. at sunset ship coming up to N. middle part wind hauls to the Eastward heading N.N.E. after part at 8 A.M. tacked ship heading S.S.E. wind from the Eastward

Lat. by Obs 5.20 S
Long. " Chron 156.43 W

1852 In the South Pacific

Tuesday Nov 30th Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from the Eastward heading S.S.E. at 7 P.M. tacked ship heading N.N.E. middle part light winds from the same quarter, at 3 A.M. tacked ship heading S.E. after part nearly calm

Lat. by Obs 5..39 S
Long. " Chron 156.29 W

Wednesday Decr 1st Begins with light winds from N.E. steering S.S.E middle part steering S.E. by S.½ S. after part wind and course the same, at ½ past 11 A.M. a most melancholy accident happened on board ship, the young man Charly Loomis, whom we had taken on board at the islands, under the hope that we would be enabled by dint of care and attention to restore him to a widowed mother and his circle of relatives and friends, suddenly ruptured a blood vessel, whilst preparing to take his dinner So sudden and copious was the haemorrhage from the lungs, that it was at once evident that he was beyond all human aid and a few brief moments would terminate his existence, he spoke but once, when asked how he felt, at the commencement of the rupture he replied bad, God have mercy on my soul and spoke no more in half an hour he expired without a groan or struggle, such is the uncertainty of human life

Lat. by Obs 7.56 S
Long. " Chron 156..1 W

Homeward Bound (with a short cruise)

Thursday Dec. 2nd Begins with moderate breezes from N.E. steering S.E. by S½ S. the remains of the poor young man was laid out with all the care and attention possible at sea and as the ~~sunk~~ sank into the waters the main yard was hauled aback. the funeral service read and the body consigned to a sailors grave the depths of ocean, when after a reasonable time we braced forward steering S. by E.½ E. middle part wind moderate from N.E. steering S. by E. set fore topmast and main topgallant studding sails after part wind and course the same

Lat. by Obs 9.48 S
Long. " Chron 155.22 W

Friday Dec. 3rd Begins with light breezes from N.E. steering S. by E. during the afternoon saw a ship on our weather bow standing to the Northward apparently for the Sandwich Islands, presume she was a whaler direct from home, middle and after parts wind light from the same quarter steering S.

Lat by Obs 10.38 S
Long. " Chron 155.40 W

Saturday Dec. 4th Begins with light airs from E.N.E. steering S. at 6 P.M. wind hauls to E.S.E. took in studding sails, middle part wind light from the same quarter set studding sails steering S. by W. after part nearly calm the crew employed in coopering and stowing down our sperm oil

Lat. by Obs 11.14 S
Long. " Chron 155.55 W

1852 In the South Pacific

Sunday Dec. 5th Begins with light airs from S.S.E. steering S.W. during the afternoon finished stowing down our oil 115 barrels the wind also hauls to E.S.E. steering S. by W. middle part wind and course the same after part wind hauls to S.E. and keeps constantly veering to E. and back again with squally weather

Lat. by Acct 13.10 S
Long. " D° 156.30 W

Monday Dec. 6th Begins with squally weather from S.E. during the afternoon the weather growing better and the wind hauls to E.S.E. steering S.½W. middle and after parts good breeze from E.S.E. steering S.

Lat. by Obs 14.31 S
Long. " Chron 157.23 W

Tuesday Dec. 7th Begins with a good breeze from E.S.E. steering S. at 5 P.M. had a squall from E.N.E. squared in the yards and set main top gallant and fore topmast studdingsails steering S. by W.½W. middle and after parts wind and course the same

Lat. by Obs 16.31 S
Long. " Chron 158.33 W

Wednesday Dec. 8th Begins with a good breeze from E.S.E. steering S. by W.½W directing our course to Whytootackie 150 miles distant at ½ past 2 raised sperm whales, lowered all 4 boats and after chasing 3 hours gave it up being unable to get on them when the boats

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came on board and we stood on, middle part fresh breeze from E.S.E. steering S by W ½ W after part wind the same, at 9 P.M. raised the land directly ahead nearly 30 miles distant at 11 raised three ships laying off an on the island kept her off a point

Lat. by Obs 18.41 S
Long. " Chro 159.35 W

Thursday Dec 9th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from E.S.E. Running along the island, the ships spoken were the Fortune of New Bedford, the George and Mary of New London, the Awashonks of Falmouth nothing since leaving the Sandwich Islands At 2 P.M. the Captain went on shore during the afternoon received one boat load of wood, also one of fine apples, ducks &c At 6 P.M. seen the Mercia standing across our stern, she had taken nothing since leaving the S. I. middle part laying off and on the island; at an early hour seen a bark coming in the Eugene of Stonington also the bark Columbia of Sag Harbor Stonington? neither of them had taken any thing since leaving the islands, remainder of the day boating off wood and fruit

Friday Dec 10th Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from E.S.E. laying off and on the island, during the afternoon ~~had~~ received the remainder of our wood 8 boat loads in all and at ½ past 8 P.M. left the island steering S. by W. middle and after parts light winds from E.S.E heading S. and S. by W

Lat. by Obs 19.50 S
Long. " Chro 159.55 W

1852 Off the Island of Roratongo

Saturday Dec. 11th Begins with light airs from E.S.E. heading S. directing our course toward Roratongo 80 miles distant directly ahead, middle part light winds from E.N.E. ship heading up S.E. at early dawn saw the land a little on our weather bow luffed up for it, remainder of the day standing in toward the land

Lat by Obs 21.08 S
Long. " Chro 159.52 W

Sunday Dec. 12th Begins with light wind from the E. standing in toward the land, at ½ past 1 P.M. the Captain went on shore, middle part laying off and on the island, at 7 lowered 3 boats to go in shore and tow off a raft of water the Captain also came off and settled with two kanakas Jim and Charley belonging here, our raft of water was hoisted in we braced forward and stood on homeward bound heading S.S.E. with a good breeze from the E.

Lat. by Obs 21.22 S
Long. " Chro 160.00 W

Monday Dec. 13th Begins with a good breeze from the Eastward steering S.S.E the land in sight astern, middle part light winds from the same quarter course S. by E. after part wind and course the same, removed the spars from off the bow and placed them aft to lighten the ship by the head also removed small chains

Lat. by Acct 23.14 S
Long. " D° 159.50 W

Homeward Bound

Tuesday Dec 14th Begins with light winds from the Eastward steering S. by E set maintopgallant and foretopmast studding sails, middle part wind light from the Eastward course the same, after part nearly calm with occasional rain-squalls

Lat. by Obs 24..56 S
Long. " Chro 159..29 W.

Wednesday Dec 15th Begins with a calm during the afternoon light squalls from various parts of the compass, middle part wind hauls to E.N.E. course the same, set lower studding sail, after part wind hauls to the Northward with rain squalls during the forenoon raised a ship ahead under easy sail

Lat. by Obs 26..31 S
Long. " Chro 159..00 W

Thursday Dec 16th Begins with a good breeze from the Northward steering S. by E. with studding sails set alow and aloft, at 1 P.M. came up to the ship and spoke her, she proved to be the Bark Fortune of New Bedford she was cutting an 80 barrel sperm whale, middle part squally, took in studding sails the rain pouring down in torrents after part wind hauls to N.N.W. steering S. by E.

Lat. by Acct 29..00 S
Long. " Do 158.30

Friday Dec 17th Begins with light airs from from N.W. breezes up during the afternoon and hauls to S.W. at 7 P.M. the wind hauls again to the N. and rain sets in, middle part wind from the

Northward steering S. by E. after part fresh breeze from S.S.W. took in studding sails heading S.E. the rain also ceases

Lat by Acct 30.05 S
Long. " Do 158.00 W.

Saturday Decr 18th Begins with thick cloudy weather and strong breeze from S.S.W the ship heading S.E. by S during the afternoon the ship comes up to S. by E. 1/2 E. and the weather growing better, middle part wind moderate from S.S.W. heading S.E. by S at an early hour found we had carried away our foretopsail yard, sent down the sail and yard, remainder of the day wind moderate from S.W. heading S. by E the watch employed in fitting a new fore topsail yard

Lat. by Obs 31.50 S
Long. " Chron 157.29 W

Sunday Decr 19th Begins with moderate breeze from S.W. heading S. by E. at 1/2 past 5 sent up the new yard and bent on the sail middle part fresh breeze from S.S.W. heading S.E. and S.E. by S. after part heading E. by S.

Lat. by Obs. 33.03 S
Long. " Chron 155.15 W

Monday Decr 20th Begins with strong breeze from S.S.E. heading E. and E. by S at 6 P.M. furled fore and mizen top gallant sails and wore ship heading S.W. middle and after parts strong breeze from S.E. the ship heading S. by W. and S.S.W

Lat. by Obs 33.58 S
Long " Chron 155.57 W

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Tuesday Decr 21st Begins with fine weather and fresh breeze from S. E. the ship heading S. by W ½ W. the weather quite chilly, woollen clothing in general demand, middle part wind moderate from S. E. heading S. by W ½ W after part wind the same, this morning raised a sail two points on our lee bow as far as could be seen from mast head

Lat. by Obs 35"34 S
Long. " Chron 157.13 W

Wednesday Decr 22nd Begins with light breezes from S. E. heading S. by W ½ W. the ship raised this morning still on our lee bow evidently gaining upon her middle part light winds from E. S. E. steering S. by W. set main topgallant and fore topmast studding sails, after part wind and course the same

Lat. by Obs. 36"43 S.
Long. " Chron 158"4 W

Thursday Decr 23rd Begins with light airs from E. S. E. steering S ½ W. that ship still in sight a little on our lee bow gaining upon her slowly, all we want is a good breeze and we will soon give her an opportunity to read our name, all we can do now is to look at her and go whistling about deck in hopes of raising a breeze, middle part breeze up a little from the Eastward set studding sails alow and aloft, after part wind the same, at 10 A. M. came up with the ship and found her to be the French Whaler Le Tour Du Pin nothing since leavin the islands

Lat. by Obs. 37"59 S
Long. " Chron 158"15 W

1852 In the South Pacific Ocean

Friday Dec. 24th Begins with light breezes from the Northward steering S½W the La Tour Du Pin in company with us at 4 P.M. the wind hauls out ahead the ship heading S.E by S. at dark comes up to S. by E, middle part wind the same course S½E after part wind hauls a little more to the Westward set studding sails course the same

Lat. by Obs. 39.15 S
Long. " Chron 158.15 W

Saturday Dec. 25th Begins with fresh breezes from the Westward steering S½E. our companion out of sight to windward having hauled upon the wind this morning, middle part strong breezes from the Westward steering S. by E½E with studding sails set after part wind hauls to S.W and dies away almost to a calm took in studding sails

Lat. by Obs. 41.24 S
Long. " Chron 157.30 W

Sunday Dec. 26th Begins with foggy weather and a calm the ship laying almost motionless on the water middle part a breeze springs up from the Northward set studding sails alow and aloft steering S by E½E after part wind and course the same

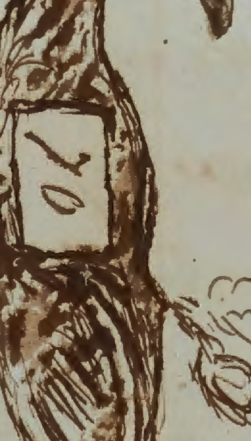
Lat. by Obs 42.05 S
Long " Acct. 157.15 W

Monday Dec. 27th Begins with fog and rain and moderate breezes from the Northward steering S. by E½E middle part strong breezes from the Northward steering S. by E 1/2 E with studding sails out on both sides after part wind hauls to N.W. took in the lee studding sails course the same

Lat. by Obs 44.57 S
Long. " Chron 156.36 W

Tuesday Dec. 28th Begins with fresh breeze from N.W. steering S. by E 1/2 E the weather uncommonly pleasant for these latitudes the wind fair and steady, and the ship making good headway, middle part strong breeze from N.W. steering S. by E 1/2 E. after part wind the same altered her course to S.E. at 12 M. took in studding sails and hauled up mainsail as we were just coming on good whale ground

Lat. by Obs. 47.57 S.
Long. " Chron. 155.27 W



Wednesday Dec. 29th Begins with strong breeze from N.W. steering S.E. at 4 P.M. raised a right whale about a mile off, immediately luffed up to the wind, and lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats. the Captain taking the mates boat the 2nd mate came very near going on his boatsteerer standing up for him and the whale running under water ahead of the boat too deep to fasten to him the boats were then called on board a very rugged sea on. At 1/2 past 7 P.M. raised two more right whales kept the ship off for them when they proved to be fin backs. luffed the ship up to the wind heading S.W. by W. at 4 A.M. kept her off N.E. at 9 A.M. raised a right whale lowered 1st 2nd and 3rd boats but could not strike and the boats were called on board in an hour after saw another whale, the 1st

2nd and 3rd mates lowered again, in a short time the mate fastened to a large bull which was killed by the 2nd mate, remainder of the day the boats all fast and the whale spouting blood

Lat. by Obs 48.09 S
Long. " Chron 153.54 W

Thursday Dec. 30th Begins with good weather and a rugged sea the whale about dead, at 1 P.M. had him alongside after dinner commenced cutting and fing him during the afternoon, middle part double reefed the topsails and stood along under easy sail heading S. W. by W. the watch employed in cutting up the blubber a deck as we are so full that we have no blubber room, at 10 P.M kept her off E. by S also started the works, after part employed in boiling

Lat. by Obs 48.14 S
Long. " Chron 152.27 W

Friday Dec 31st Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from W.N.W steering E. by N. the watch employed in boiling, our oil also is leaking badly, pumping oil every time we pump ship, the very sight of it is enough to make a man strike his grandmother, but we see no other remedy than to put it in over the rail as fast as it runs from the scuppers or in other words to keep whaling it — middle part fresh breezes from N. W. steering E. the watch employed in boiling, at breakfast time cooled down the works remainder of the day calm

Lat. by Acct. 48.25 S
Long " Do 150.40 W

1853 · Homeward Bound

Saturday Jany 1st 1853 Begins with a calm and a rain storm the watch employed in coopering and stowing down our oil, to get it off deck as soon as possible for fear of bad weather as we are in a very tricky place at 7.30 P.M. finished stowing down our oil. the whale stowing us down a large 70 barrels, a noble southern whale, middle part fresh breezes from N.N.E. heading E. after part strong breezes from N.N.E. with fog and rain

Lat. by Acct 49.00 S
Long. " Do. 148.30 W

Sunday Jany 2nd. Begins with strong breezes from N.N.E. and rain at 6 P.M. took in main royal and flying jib and made every thing secure about decks, in case we should have a gale of wind before morning middle part blowing heavy from N.N.E. close reefed fore and mizen topsails, hauled up mainsail and furled topgallant sails, toward daylight moderates, at 5 A.M. the wind suddenly came out from W.N.W. and in five minutes was blowing a living gale of wind, a perfect screamer butt end foremost, before we could get the foresail in, it was blown to pieces, remainder of the day a gale of wind from the Westward scudding before it under short sail

Barometer in 28.4

Distance to Cape Horn
2748 miles E.½S.

Lat. by Obs. 49.49 S
Long. " Chron 142.30 W

Monday. Jany 3rd Begins with a gale of wind from the Eastward, scudding before it, under main topsail, main topgallant sail, double reefed fore topsail and close reefed mizen topsail during the afternoon bent a new foresail and a cask of our oil between decks also broke loose and was adrift between decks, with a tremendous sea running and great danger of our meeting with a heavy loss. took off the after hatch to try and stop it if possible, three tier of casks were unshipt and they found two empty ones, after laboring for two hours they succeeded in stopping it for the present. middle part wind hauls to the Northward and blows heavy close reefed the main topsail, at 6 P.M. wind hauls to the Westward and clears up. made sail remainder of the day fine weather and a good breeze from the Westward steering E. set topgallant sails

Distance to Cape Horn 2580 miles E ½ S

Lat. by Obs 50.20 S
Long. " Chron 138.27 W

Tuesday Jany 4th Begins with fine weather and a good breeze from the Westward steering E. set fore topmast main topgallant and lower studding sail on weather side middle and after parts strong breeze from the Westward steering E. with studding sails set alow and aloft on both sides

Distance to Cape Horn 2405 E ½ S. 24h run 175 E by S

Lat. by Obs. 50.50 S
Long. " Chron. 134.1 W

Wednesday Jany 5th Begins with fine weather and strong breeze from the Westward steering E. with all sail set middle and after parts a gale of wind from W.S.W. steering E and scudding under short sail double reefed fore and main topsails and close reefed mizen topsail

Lat. by Acct 51.23 S
Long. " D: 128.10 W

Homeward Bound

Thursday Jany 6th Begins with a gale of wind from W.S.W. during the afternoon hauls to S.W. and moderates a little, set whole fore and maintopgallant sails and topsails with foresail and mainsail scudding before it at the rate of 9 a 10 knots to the Eastward a very heavy sea running. the ship behaving beautifully, middle part wind moderates and keeps hauling gradually to the Northward and very light after part breeze up from the Northward steering E.

Lat. by Acct. 50.50 S
Long. " Do 124.20 W

Friday Jany 7th Begins with thick cloudy weather and wind from N. steering E. during the afternoon the wind keeps hauling to the Eastward took in studdingsails and topgallant sails at 6 P.M wind hauls to S.E. and blows very fresh with every appearance of another gale of wind furled mainsail and jibs, double reefed the fore topsail and close reefed main and mizen topsails, at 8 P.M a moderate gale of wind from E.S.E. wore ship heading N.E. middle part strong breezes and rugged weather from S.E. wind gradually hauling more to the Southward at 5 A.M. heavy hail squalls from S. at 7 hauls to S.W. and blows heavy in squalls, remainder of the day wind more steady, shook a reef out of the topsails and set maintopgallant sail steering E.

Distance to Cape Horn
1968 miles E. 3/4 S

Lat by Obs 51.1 S
Long. " Chro 121.47 W

Saturday Jany 8th Begins with very strong breeze from S.W. steering E. with a very rugged sea on, middle and after parts the same and squally

To Cape Horn 1768 E. 3/4 S
Distance run 196 miles

Lat. by Obs. 51.11 S
Long. " Chro 116.34 W

1853 In the South Pacific Ocean

Sunday Jany 9th Begins with strong breezes from W.S.W. steering E. the squalls moderating in violence during the afternoon set mainsail and studding sails alow and aloft on weather side, middle part squally took in studding sails, topgallant sails and double reefed the topsails, after part wind light and baffling made all sail again

To Cape Horn 1617 miles
Distance run 151 miles
Lat. by Obs 51.30 S.
Long. " Chro 112.36 W

Monday Jany 10th Begins with almost a calm from S.W. steering E. during the afternoon a light breeze springs up from the Westward set studding sails on both sides steering as before middle part moderate breeze from the same quarter steering E.½ S. after part wind hauls to N.W. with fog and rain the wind also growing lighter

Lat. by Acct 52.00 S
Long. " Do. 108.40 W

Tuesday Jany 11th Begins with foggy disagreeable weather and light winds from the Westward steering E ½ S. at 7 P.M. hauls to S.W. and begins to breeze up, middle part fresh breezes from S.W. steering E. after part wind hauls to W. set studding sails alow and aloft on both sides

To Cape Horn 1296 miles
Lat. by Obs. 52.55 S
Long. " Chro 104.4 W

Wednesday Jany 12th Begins with good weather and fresh breezes from the Westward steering E. during the afternoon wind hauls to N.W. and begins to freshen at 9 P.M. took in studding sails and rigged in the booms blowing strong from N.W. middle part strong breezes from N. N. W. took in topgallant sails and double reefed the mizen topsail, after part wind hauls back again to the Westward made all sail alow and aloft

To Cape Horn 1101 miles
Distance run 195 "

Lat. by Obs. 53.59 S
Long. " Chron 99.7 W

Thursday Jany 13th Begins with fine weather and a first rate breeze from the Westward steering E. with studding sails on both sides alow and aloft middle part strong breezes from the Westward course the same after part wind and course the same

To Cape Horn 908 miles
Distance run 193 miles

Lat. by Obs 55.00 S
Long. " Chron 93.58 W

Friday Jany 14th Begins with fresh breezes from the Westward steering E. with studding sails set alow. and aloft on both sides and extraordinary good weather for these latitudes, our oil leaking a little steadily, but we have become so accustomed to that for the last year we do not mind it the ship also leaks a little more than she did when we left the islands, but nothing alarming middle part wind hauls to the Northward took in lee studdingsails, after part hauls back to the Westward with fog and rain altered her course to E½ N.

To Cape Horn
Distance run

Lat. by Acct 55.55 S
Long. " Do. 88.50 W

Saturday Jany. 15th Begins with foggy weather and moderate winds from the Westward steering E½ N. middle part wind the same and lighter after part wind hauls to S. W. and blows fresh course the same

To Cape Horn
Distance run

Lat. by Obs 56.57 S
Long. " Chron 83.11 W

1853 In the South Pacific Ocean

Sunday Jany 16th Begins with fine weather and strong breeze from S.W. steering E.N.E. our latitude being out, this afternoon found another pipe empty between decks, our oil leaking constantly, middle part wind the same with strong breeze and hail squalls after part hauled to S.S.W course E.N.E.

To Cape Horn 386 mls   Lat. by Obs. 56..55 S
Distance run 219 "   Long. " Chron 76..29 W

Monday Jany 17th Begins with fine pleasant weather and moderate winds from S.S.W heading E.N.E. saw one ship from mast head during the afternoon raining. at 7 P.M. wind hauled to W.S.W. and rain ceased set studding sails on both sides alow and aloft, middle part wind the same with fog and drizzling rain steering E.N.E. after part wind hauled to S.S.W. course the same

To Cape Horn   Lat. by Acct 56..50 S
Distance run   Long. " Do 70..30 W

Tuesday Jany 18th Begins with cold wet disagreeable weather, and fresh breeze from S.S.W steering E.N.E. at 6 P.M. squally took in the light sails furled the mainsail and double reefed fore and mizen topsails, the wind also hauled to the Westward, to day seen a large ship heading to the Northward, middle part light wind from the Westward course the same, after part seen some merchantmen outward bound course the same

Lat. by Obs. 56..59 S
Long. " Chron 67..19 W

Wednesday Jany 19th Begins with moderate breeze from the Westward steering N.E. by N. several ships in sight. At 4 P.M. spoke the Tingqua of

Off Cape Horn

of New York 54 days out bound to San Francisco Whitman master had been off the Horn about a week, middle part fresh breezes from the Westward steering N.E.by N. after part wind dies away almost to a calm and hauls more to the Southward

Lat. by Acct 55.40 S
Long " D: 64.- W

Thursday Jan 20th Begins with light airs from the ~~Southward~~ Westward Staten Land plain in sight also a drizzling rain, at 6 hauls to S.W. steering N.E.by N. middle part strong breezes and fine weather from S.W. steering N.E.by N. directing our course to the Falkland islands in order to cooper our oil after part wind, weather and course the same

Lat. by Obs 53.42 S
Long. " Chro 61.8 W

Friday Jan 21st Begins with fine weather and moderate winds from S.W. steering N.E.by N. middle part wind hauls to N. with rain took in the light sails, after part strong breezes from N. heading E.N.E. double reefed the topsails towards noon wind hauls to the Westward and weather clears up heading N. made sail

Lat. by Obs 52.45 S
Long " Chro 57.49 W

Saturday Jany 22nd Begins with moderate winds from the Westward heading in to the Northward during the afternoon raised the land ahead and on our weather bow being the East Falkland where we intended to cooper. luffed her up to N.W. by N. ½ N. also saw a large ship on our lee bow standing to the Southward, middle part dies away to a calm

1853 At Anchor at Port Williams (F. I)

at daylight a breeze springs up from the land directly ahead, at 7 hauls to S.W. during the forenoon heavy squalls from S.W. took in the light sails and single reefed the topsails beating up to the entrance of the harbor, (Civil Time) At 1 P.M. a pilot came off to us, and at 6 we came to anchor in the outer harbor a large white beacon was erected on the outer point, and as we advanced up, huge figures on either side, with extended arm pointed toward the settlement having furled sails and every thing in order all hands went to supper. At 7 P.M. the watch was set for the night, boats crews, both anchors down and strong breezes from S.W. during the night heavy squalls from S.W.

Sunday Jany 23rd. Begins with very heavy squall from S.W. at an early hour all hands were called and we commenced forthwith to break out the main hatch to ascertain the state of our oil, it being a work of imperative necessity, that should be attended to, at once not only to secure it from loss, but to hasten our departure, from this dreary, dismal, inhospitable shore Our situation also was a very critical one, it blowing very heavy on a rocky shore, which should our anchors drag would pile our noble ship a "wreck of fragments", and scatter to the four winds of heaven our hard earnings for 30 months, mostly collected amid the rigors, dangers and severities of a polar climate, all admonishing us to commence forthwith, even tho' it be Sunday during the day the wind hauls back and forth from S. to S.W. with occasional hail squalls, by supper time all abaft the main hatch, was taken out examined and replaced, coopering whenever necessary, and but 2 empty pipes found, and one partially, so our loss not exceeding 20 barrels. thus far toward night moderates, remainder of the day moderate dieing to a calm

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